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FOREST A. HARNESSE,
Sergeant at Arms, United States Senate.

DEATH OF CHIEF JUSTICE FRED M. VINSON

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate a communication from the Supreme Court of the United States, which will be read and will lie on the table.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Washington, D. C. September 9, 1953.

HON. RICHARD M. NIXON,
Vice President of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

SIR: I am directed by the Supreme Court of the United States to notify the Senate, through you, that the Chief Justice of the United States died in this city on Tuesday, September 8, at 3:15 a. m.

I have the honor to be,

Yours very respectfully,

HUGO L. BLACK,
Senior Associate Justice, Acting
Chief Justice of the United States.

Mr. CLEMENTS. Mr. President, I submit and send to the desk a resolution for which I request immediate consideration, and I ask that the resolution be read.

The resolution (S. Res. 170) was read as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. Fred M. Vinson, late the Chief Justice of the United States.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and to the Supreme Court and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Mr. CLEMENTS. Mr. President, since last we assembled here the Commonwealth of Kentucky has suffered a profound sorrow and the Nation has sustained an irreparable loss in the untimely death, on September 8, 1953, of Fred M. Vinson, the Chief Justice of the United States.

Most of us knew him, many of us regarded him as an intimate friend, and all of us are familiar with the brilliant record of public service rendered by this great and gifted Kentuckian, who had the unique distinction of having served in all three branches of our Government—in the legislative branch as the Representative of the Ninth Congressional District of Kentucky—later the Eighth; in the executive branch as Director of Economic Stabilization, Federal Loan Administrator, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, and as Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, and in the judicial branch as Associate Justice of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, as Chief Judge of the United States Emergency Court of Appeals, and finally as Chief Justice of the United States, in which capacity he presided over the Supreme Court of the United States during the last 7 years of his life.

As a friend and admirer of Fred Vinson over a period of 30 years, I knew him as a realist, endowed with a fine mind, clear and decisive vision, boundless energy, a genial personality, and an im-

mense fund of commonsense. Because of his years of active interest, observation, and broad experience in Government service, I venture to say that by the time he reached the pinnacle of his career as the 13th Chief Justice of the United States, he had a practical working knowledge of government equaled by few, if any, of his predecessors. Courageously, constructively, unsparingly, and unselfishly, Fred Vinson devoted his splendid and versatile talents—as legislator, administrator, and jurist—to the progress and welfare of his State and Nation. Happily, but as so rarely happens, Fred Vinson reaped while he lived every honor that a grateful citizenry could bestow upon him in recognition of his matchless loyalty, impeccable integrity, and sound achievements. Throughout his long and arduous career of public service, Fred Vinson never lost sight of the fact that public office is a public trust; and no occupant of public office ever more clearly realized that the real and lasting compensation derived from public service stems from the understanding, appreciation, and approval of one's efforts by the friends and well-wishers who placed their confidence in him and depended on him to meet intelligently and fearlessly the obligations and to discharge justly the duties and responsibilities of the office entrusted to him. Fred Vinson died "poor of purse," but he left a priceless and shining heritage to his sons and an inspiring example to young Americans everywhere who choose to serve God and country on the high and noble plane Fred Vinson attained.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD at this point as a part of my remarks a tribute to the late Chief Justice of the United States by a former majority leader of the Senate, Hon. Scott Lucas, of Illinois.

There being no objection, the tribute was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

IN MEMORY OF CHIEF JUSTICE FRED M. VINSON
It was years ago when I first met this sage;
My service in Congress was youthful in age,
But a friendly hand from this Kentucky great

Was a straw in the wind which measured my fate.

And, all through the years since that meeting of ours,

Our friendship grew stronger with the passing hours.

And, now, at a time when our freedom is low,
This stalwart so true is commanded to go.

It seems cruel and strange that a man so just,
Should leave us untimely when needed so much.

And, yet, who are we, who are children of chance,

To question the sting of the Almighty's lance?

For, in his life, God planted a seed,
That will grow green grass and never a weed.
And he leaves, as he goes to his home on the hill,

A void in our life that is so hard to fill.

And, now he's at rest in a new-found grave,
The coil is removed from this noble so brave;
From out of this slumber, so shrouded with clay,

Burn the lights of the just from his deeds of the day.

In this silent home of everlasting sleep
Lies the cross of faith Americans must keep.
In death, as in life, he chants from freedom's shore,

O blessed Republic, bloom forevermore.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. President, I join my colleague, the senior Senator from Kentucky, in expressing the regret and sorrow of the people of Kentucky over the passing of the late Chief Justice of the United States, Fred Vinson.

The sorrow and sense of loss are not limited to his native State of Kentucky. They are felt by the people of the entire Nation.

The career of Fred Vinson is well known to practically all Americans. It was a varied and remarkable career, characterized by hard work, steady growth, and a determination to master every position to which he was called. He possessed a unique capacity to work with his colleagues and associates. This unusual ability in the field of debating and conciliating issues, and in arriving at a synthesis of judgment was best demonstrated, perhaps, in his service as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States at a very difficult time in history.

In his own State he was known as a man of integrity, warmhearted and generous, loyal to his friends and the community in which he lived. He exemplified in the finest way devotion to his wife and family. His love of country transcended party and personal ambition.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is on agreeing to the resolution submitted by the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. CLEMENTS].

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. CLEMENTS. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Chief Justice of the United States, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 12 o'clock and 26 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, January 7, 1954, at 12 o'clock meridian.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1954

This being the day fixed by Public Law 199, 83d Congress, enacted pursuant to the 20th amendment to the Constitution, for the meeting of the 2d session of the 83d Congress, the Members of the House of Representatives of the 83d Congress met in their Hall, and at 12 o'clock noon were called to order by the Speaker, Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR., a Representative from the State of Massachusetts.

The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, whose spiritual nature we cannot define and whose supreme sovereignty we cannot deny, in Thy divine keeping and control are the coming in and the going out of all our days.

Hitherto Thou hast blessed us and we have been the beneficiaries of a bountiful

providence which never withholds from us anything that is needful.

Grant that daily, during this new session of Congress, we may enter the sacred retreat of prayer and be inspired with a clear and commanding vision of Thy holy will for ourselves and all mankind.

May our President, our Speaker, and the Members of this legislative body be endowed and encouraged with a vivid sense of Thy guiding presence and sustaining power as they respond to the high vocation of leadership in the affairs of government.

Hear us as we bow in adoration and unite in offering unto Thee the prayer of our Saviour, the Prince of Peace:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carrell, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had adopted the following resolutions:

Senate Resolution 167

Resolved, That a committee consisting of two Senators be appointed by the Vice President to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of each House is assembled and that the Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Senate Resolution 168

Resolved, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and that the Senate is ready to proceed to business.

Senate Resolution 169

Resolved, That the hour of daily meeting of the Senate be 12 o'clock meridian, unless otherwise ordered.

RESIGNATION

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following resignation as a Member of Congress:

AUGUST 13, 1953.

The Honorable JOSEPH W. MARTIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I beg leave to inform you that I have this day transmitted to the Governor of New Jersey my resignation as a Representative in the Congress of the United States from the Sixth District of New Jersey, to take effect 12 o'clock midnight,

Yours sincerely,

CLIFFORD P. CASE.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will call the roll to determine whether or not a quorum is present.

The Clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

[Roll No. 1]

Abernethy Allen, Ill. Angell
Adair Andersen, Arends
Addonizio H. Carl Ashmore
Albert Andresen, Aspinall
Alexander August H. Auchincloss
Allen, Calif. Andrews Ayres

Bailey
Baker
Bates
Beamer
Becker
Belcher
Bender
Bennett, Fla.
Bennett, Mich.
Bentley
Bentsen
Berry
Betts
Bishop
Boggs
Boland
Bolling
Bolton,
Frances P.
Bolton,
Oliver P.
Bonin
Bonner
Bosch
Bow
Bowler
Boykin
Bramblett
Bray
Brooks, Tex.
Brown, Ga.
Brown, Ohio
Brownson
Broyhill
Buchanan
Budge
Burdick
Burleson
Bush
Byrd
Byrne, Pa.
Byrnes, Wis.
Camp
Campbell
Canfield
Cannon
Carlyle
Carnahan
Carrigg
Cederberg
Chatham
Chelf
Chenoweth
Chiperfield
Church
Clardy
Clevenger
Cole, Mo.
Colmer
Condon
Coon
Cooper
Corbett
Cotton
Coudert
Cretella
Crosser
Crumpacker
Cunningham
Curtis, Mass.
Curtis, Mo.
Curtis, Nebr.
Dague
Davis, Ga.
Davis, Tenn.
Davis, Wis.
Dawson, Utah
Deane
Deemsey
Derouman
Devereux
D'Ewart
Dies
Dingell
Dodd
Dollinger
Dolliver
Donohue
Dorn, N. Y.
Dowdy
Doyle
Durham
Eberhart
Edmondson
Elliot
Ellsworth
Engle
Evins
Feighan
Fenton
Fine
Fisher
Forand
Ford
Forrester
Fountain
Frazier

Frelinghuysen
Friedel
Fulton
Gamble
Garmatz
Gary
Gathings
Gavin
Gentry
George
Golden
Goodwin
Gordon
Graham
Granahan
Grant
Green
Gregory
Gross
Gubser
Gwinn
Hagen, Calif.
Hagen, Minn.
Hale
Haley
Halleck
Hand
Harden
Hardy
Harris
Harrison, Nebr.
Harrison, Va.
Harrison, Wyo.
Hart
Harvey
Hays, Ark.
Hays, Ohio
Hébert
Heller
Herlong
Heseltun
Heas
Hiestand
Hill
Hillelson
Hillings
Hinshaw
Hinsch
Hoeven
Hoffman, Ill.
Hoffman, Mich.
Hollifield
Holmes
Holt
Hope
Horan
Hosmer
Howell
Hruska
Hunter
Hyde
Ikard
Jackson
James
Jarman
Javits
Jenkins
Jensen
Johnson, Calif.
Jonas, Ill.
Jonas, N. C.
Jones, Ala.
Jones, Mo.
Jones, N. C.
Judd
Karsten, Mo.
Kean
Kearney
Kearns
Keating
Kee
Kelly, N. Y.
Keogh
Kersten, Wis.
Kilburn
Kilday
King, Calif.
King, Pa.
Kirwan
Klein
Kluczynski
Knox
Krueger
Laird
Landrum
Lane
Lanham
Lantaff
Latham
LeCompte
Lesinski
Long
Lovre
Lucas
Lyle
McCarthy
McConnell
McCormack

McCulloch
McDonough
McIntire
McMillan
McVey
Machrowicz
Mack, Wash.
Madden
Magnuson
Mahon
Mailliard
Marshall
Martin, Iowa
Mason
Matthews
Meador
Merrill
Merrow
Metcalf
Miller, Kans.
Miller, Md.
Miller, Nebr.
Mills
Mollohan
Morano
Morgan
Moss
Multer
Mumma
Murray
Neal
Nelson
Nicholson
Norblad
Norrell
Oakman
O'Brien, Ill.
O'Brien, Mich.
O'Brien, N. Y.
O'Hara, Ill.
O'Hara, Minn.
O'Neill
Osmer
Ostertag
Passman
Patman
Patten
Patterson
Pelly
Perkins
Pfost
Philbin
Phillips
Pilcher
Pillion
Poage
Poff
Polk
Preston
Price
Priest
Prouty
Rabaut
Radwan
Rains
Ray
Rayburn
Reams
Reece, Tenn.
Reed, Ill.
Reed, N. Y.
Rees, Kans.
Regan
Rhodes, Ariz.
Rhodes, Pa.
Richards
Riehlman
Riley
Rivers
Roberts
Robeson, Va.
Robison, Ky.
Rodino
Rogers, Colo.
Rogers, Fla.
Rogers, Mass.
Rogers, Tex.
Roosevelt
Sadlak
Saylor
Schenck
Scherer
Scott
Scrivner
Scudder
Secrest
Seely-Brown
Selden
Shafer
Sheehan
Shelley
Sheppard
Short
Shuford
Sieminski
Sikes
Simpson, Ill.

The SPEAKER. On this rollcall 392 Members have answered to their names. A quorum is present.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communications from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C., August 19, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.
SIR: A certificate of election in due form of law, showing the election of the Honorable WILLIAM H. NATCHER as a Representative-elect to the 83d Congress from the 2d Congressional District of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Honorable Garrett L. Withers, has been received and is on file in this office.

Respectfully yours,
LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

DECEMBER 2, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.
SIR: A certificate of election in due form of law for the Honorable HARRISON A. WILLIAMS, JR., as a Representative-elect to the 83d Congress from the 6th Congressional District of the State of New Jersey, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honorable Clifford P. Case, has been received from the secretary of state of New Jersey, and is on file in this office.

Respectfully yours,
LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

DECEMBER 2, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.
SIR: A certificate of election in due form of law for the Honorable GLENARD P. LIPSCOMB as a Representative-elect to the 83d Congress from the 24th Congressional District of the State of California, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honorable Norris Poulson, has been received from the secretary of state of California, and is on file in this office.

Respectfully yours,
LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

OCTOBER 26, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.
SIR: A certificate of election in due form of law for the Honorable LESTER R. JOHNSON as a Representative-elect to the 83d Congress from the 9th Congressional District of the State of Wisconsin to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Honorable Merlin Hull, has been received from the secretary of state of Wisconsin and is on file in this office.

Respectfully yours,
LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS

Messrs. NATCHER, WILLIAMS of New Jersey, LIPSCOMB, and JOHNSON of Wisconsin appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office.

AUTHORIZING THE SPEAKER TO DECLARE A RECESS AT ANY TIME TOMORROW

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that on Thursday, January 7, 1954, it may be in order for the Speaker to declare a recess at any time subject to the call of the Chair.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Indiana?

There was no objection.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 394) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three Members be appointed by the Speaker on the part of the House of Representatives to join with a committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has assembled and Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

The resolution was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as members of the committee on the part of the House the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HALLECK], the gentleman from New York [Mr. REED], and the gentleman from Texas [Mr. RAYBURN].

NOTIFICATION OF SENATE

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 395), which I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House inform the Senate that a quorum of the House is present and that the House is ready to proceed with business.

The resolution was agreed to.

DAILY HOUR OF MEETING

Mr. ALLEN of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 396), which I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered, the daily hour of meeting of the House of Representatives shall be at 12 o'clock meridian.

The resolution was agreed to.

THIRTY-FOURTH REPORT FOR LEND-LEASE OPERATION

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

SEPTEMBER 28, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a sealed envelope addressed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives from the President of the United States, received in

the Clerk's office on September 28, 1953, and said to contain the Thirty-fourth Report to Congress on Lend-Lease Operations for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Respectfully yours,

LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 233)

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States, which was read by the Clerk and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed:

THE WHITE HOUSE,
September 24, 1953.

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith the Thirty-fourth Report to Congress on Lend-Lease Operations covering the calendar year of 1952.

Section 5 (b) of the act of March 11, 1941 (Public Law 11, 77th Cong., 1st sess.) provides:

The President from time to time, but not less frequently than once every 90 days, shall transmit to the Congress a report of operations under this act.

This requirement was generally observed during the years of World War II when lend-lease operations were in full swing. However, since the end of the war, it has been found expedient to submit these reports to the Congress at greater intervals. I believe that the Congress should be kept informed on lend-lease activities and that, under existing circumstances, this can be done satisfactorily through yearly reports.

One of the important remaining lend-lease functions is the collection of payments due under various international agreements. For example, the lend-lease settlement agreements call for the eventual payment to the United States of a total of \$1,574,534,330.31 plus interest. According to figures supplied by the Department of the Treasury as of December 31, 1952, the United States has received \$429,020,540.49 from debtor governments under lend-lease settlement agreements. This figure comprises payment in dollars totaling \$322,052,260.18, local currency payments to the equivalent of \$30,067,994.38, the acquisition of real property and improvements thereto amounting to the equivalent of \$2,408,214.43, and the assumption of claims by debtor governments to a total value of approximately \$74,492,071.50. These figures do not include the lend-lease silver accounts or sums paid the United States by other governments for lend-lease supplies or services received on a cash reimbursable basis.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

(Enclosure: Thirty-fourth Report to Congress on Lend-Lease Operations.)

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

AUGUST 17, 1953.

The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a sealed envelope addressed to the Speaker

of the House of Representatives from the President of the United States, received in the office of the Clerk on August 17, 1953, said to contain the Report to Congress on the mutual-security program for the 6 months ended June 30, 1953.

Respectfully yours,

LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES—MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM (H. DOC. NO. 226)

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States, which was read by the Clerk and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed, with illustrations:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am transmitting herewith the report on the mutual security program covering operations during the 6 months ended June 30, 1953, in furtherance of the purposes of the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended.

In the mutual security program we find tangible expression of our belief that the safety and self-interest of this Nation are inextricably tied in with the security and well-being of other free nations.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

THE WHITE HOUSE, August 17, 1953.

RESIGNATION FROM COMMITTEE ON DEFENSE PRODUCTION

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

SEPTEMBER 24, 1953.

Hon. JESSE P. WOLCOTT,
Chairman, Committee on Banking and Currency, House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I herewith tender my resignation as a member of the Joint Committee on Defense Production, established by section 712 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, to be effective as of this date.

Sincerely,

WRIGHT PATMAN.

APPOINTMENT TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON DEFENSE PRODUCTION

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON BANKING
AND CURRENCY,
Washington, September 24, 1953.

Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR.,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Attached hereto is a letter from the Honorable WRIGHT PATMAN resigning as a member of the Joint Committee on Defense Production.

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 712 (a) of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, I hereby appoint the Honorable BRENT SPENCE, a member of the Committee on Banking and Currency of the House of Representatives, as a member of the Joint Committee on Defense Production.

Sincerely,

JESSE P. WOLCOTT,
Chairman.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to announce that, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 220, 83d Congress, and the order of the House of August 3, 1953, empowering him to appoint commissions, boards, and committees authorized by law or by the House, he did, on September 14, 1953, appoint as members of the Commission on Judicial and Congressional Salaries the following leaders representing labor, business and professional, and agriculture, from private life: Walter Cenerazzo, president, Watchmakers Union, Waltham, Mass.; John E. Galvin, chairman of the board, Ohio Steel Foundry Co., Lima, Ohio; Herschel D. Newsom, master, National Grange, Columbus, Ind.

And the following as advisory members of the Commission who have been or who are Members of the 82d or 83d Congress:

Hon. Harry L. Towe, New Jersey; Hon. Hardie Scott, Pennsylvania; Hon. Francis E. Walter, Pennsylvania.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY PRESIDENT

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, your committee on the part of the House to join a like committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has been assembled and is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make has performed that duty. The President asked us to report that he will be pleased to deliver his message at 12:30 o'clock p. m., January 7, 1954, to a joint session of the two Houses.

SERGEANT AT ARMS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication, which was read by the Clerk:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C., September 14, 1953.
The honorable the SPEAKER,
House of Representatives.

MY DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I submit herewith, effective at the close of business today, my resignation as Sergeant at Arms, House of Representatives, which additional duty I assumed pursuant to House Resolution 323, dated July 8, 1953, 83d Congress.

Respectfully yours,

LYLE O. SNADER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM R. BONSELL AS SERGEANT AT ARMS

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces that, pursuant to the provisions of section 208 (a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, he did on September 15, 1953, appoint William R. Bonsell, of the State of Pennsylvania, to act temporarily as Sergeant at Arms until the House chooses a person for that office.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted (at the request of Mr. CANNON) to Mrs. SULLIVAN, for 10 days, on account of a death in her immediate family.

JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, I offer a concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 184) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the two Houses of Congress assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Thursday, January 7, 1954, at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving such communications as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to make an announcement.

After consultation with the majority and minority leaders, and remembering the terrific jams we have had upon the floor upon the occasion of appearances by the President of the United States at joint sessions of the Congress, with the consent and approval of the floor leaders the Chair announces that on tomorrow the doors immediately opposite the Speaker will be open and the doors on the Speaker's left and right, and none other.

No one will be allowed upon the floor of the House during the joint session tomorrow who does not have the privilege of the floor.

THE HONORABLE SAM RAYBURN

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure on this occasion to address the House on a most pleasant subject to me, one that is truly noncontroversial and nonpolitical, an exception to my usual procedure, perhaps.

Before addressing myself to the subject, however, I want to extend to my Republican friends—and I think I speak the sentiments of the Democratic Members—our very best wishes for a happy and, outside of politics, a most successful new year, and to my Democratic colleagues I extend my very best wishes for a happy and, including politics, a most successful new year.

Today is the first time that the Congress has met on January 6. Today is the birthday of an outstanding American, one who is a distinguished Member of this body. I think it is well to pause and pay our respects to the living as we do on occasion pay our respects to the great Americans of yesterday.

The gentleman I have in mind is a Texan by birth, but by his contributions to our country's progress, both in time of peace and in time of war, he is a citizen of the entire United States.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. McCORMACK. I yield to the gentleman from Tennessee.

Mr. COOPER. I take great pride in stating to the gentleman that Mr. RAYBURN was born in the great State of Tennessee.

Mr. McCORMACK. My friend is right. I apologize to the people of Tennessee for my unintentional error; however, he is also a Texan by heritage, tradition, and everything else. I accept the correction. He was born in Tennessee, but I think everyone will admit that while he loves Tennessee his whole life has been identified with Texas and his primary love is there.

In any event he is more than a Tennessean or a Texan. He is a son of Massachusetts, he is a son of every other one of the States of the Union. We claim him as our own due to the high regard we have for him, not only personally but officially, and for the great contributions he has made, as I said, in time of war and in time of peace in the service and progress of our country.

I think it can be safely said that while he is one of the great citizens of our country, he is the No. 1 son today, and has been for some years, of Texas—I do not think any Texan will contradict that—and I know no other American in any other of the 47 States of the Union will contradict that.

Mr. PATMAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. McCORMACK. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. PATMAN. I agree with everything the distinguished gentleman from Massachusetts has said and wish to congratulate Mr. RAYBURN on his birthday. I would like to remind the gentleman from Massachusetts that the Constitution provides that the Congress shall meet on January 3 of each year unless another date is fixed by law. Is it not a fact that in view of the fact that January 3 this year came on Sunday, the leaders, through the generosity of our distinguished friends on the other side, actually took into consideration in fixing a date for the meeting of this Congress the fact that today is the birthday of our distinguished friend, the Honorable SAM RAYBURN?

Mr. McCORMACK. I think that is an inference the Republican leadership will not challenge.

SAM RAYBURN has been a Member of this body for many years. He is near and dear to the hearts and minds of everyone who has ever served with him. Between SAM RAYBURN and myself there has been the relationship of leadership in the Democratic Party since 1940. Our friendship and our feelings for each other are the same underneath the surface as they are on the surface. On a number of occasions, and I repeat today, I have referred to him as a man with the heart of gold. I know I speak the sentiments of all of my colleagues with-

out regard to party in extending to SAM RAYBURN our congratulations on this, his birthday anniversary, and our very best wishes and our sincere hopes that God, in His infinite wisdom, will continue to shower upon him for many years to come an abundance of his choicest blessings.

Mr. KILDAY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. McCORMACK. I yield gladly to the leader of the Texas delegation.

Mr. KILDAY. Mr. Speaker, speaking for the Texas delegation and at their request, I want to join in wishing our distinguished senior Member a very happy birthday, and many happy returns of the day. We all know the spot he occupies in our hearts.

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. McCORMACK. I gladly yield to the distinguished majority leader, the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HALLECK].

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, for myself and for the Speaker, the Honorable JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR., of Massachusetts, and for all of the Members on our side, may I say that we join in congratulating the gentleman from Texas, our warm, close, personal friend, SAM RAYBURN, upon this, his birthday. We also wish for him many more years of happiness and a certain kind of success upon which I shall not elaborate because it is obvious that a slight implication has struck home. But certainly we want him to have many more happy birthdays. As one who had something to do with the selection of this date, January 6, for our meeting, may I say that we did take into consideration the fact that it was SAM RAYBURN's birthday, and I think it might also be said that as an evidence of his humility he really would have desired that we not meet until tomorrow so that he might have been spared these words that are spoken today. I did not have any ulterior purpose in going along with this suggestion of meeting today because it was SAM RAYBURN's birthday, because I recognize that things being as they are I may have to get along with him, and I am quite sure we will get along, as a matter of fact. In a serious vein, it has been a pleasure through all the years that I have been here, whether on the majority or minority side, to work with SAM RAYBURN because he is always fair; he is always helpful; he is always considerate. He always wants to vote to adjourn a Republican Congress right early because he says, "Nothing good can come of it," and I always have to dispute that. But, in any event, this is a happy day for him, and because it is a happy day for him, it is a happy day for all of us.

Mr. McCORMACK. I appreciate very much the remarks made by my friend, the majority leader, and I know that the remarks of the distinguished gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HALLECK], representing not only his own thoughts and sentiments but those of the Republican Party in the House, will bring more happiness to SAM RAYBURN, and that the feeling of all of us for him on this day, and on all days throughout the many years that I hope lie ahead of him, will be one of the most treasured memories of his life.

Mr. Speaker, to SAM, I again extend to you the congratulations and the best wishes of all your colleagues.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, the warm words just uttered will always mean much to me. They will mean much to my family and they will mean much to the people of the Fourth Congressional District of the State of Texas who, through 21 elections, have stood by me with a loyalty unsurpassed in political annals. I am grateful in my appreciation of these words.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members who may desire to do so may extend their remarks at this point in the RECORD regarding our dear friend from Texas, SAM RAYBURN.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

Mr. WICKERSHAM. Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege, as chairman of the Oklahoma delegation in the House, to place in the RECORD the following resolution adopted unanimously today by the Oklahoma delegation:

Whereas today is the birthday of the Honorable SAM RAYBURN, minority leader and former Speaker of the House; and

Whereas the great State of Oklahoma joins the Nation in commending this great American upon his distinguished service to his country through nearly two generations; and

Whereas this great Texan who makes his home just south of the border of Oklahoma and is affectionately regarded by the people of Oklahoma as ex officio Congressman at Large from Oklahoma, is deeply appreciated by our State for the service he has given to the people of Oklahoma as well as to the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Oklahoma delegation in the House extends to the Honorable SAM RAYBURN its best wishes and its warm greetings on this day, the anniversary of his birth.

Unanimously adopted this 6th day of January 1954.

Mr. LYLE. Mr. Speaker, I wish a happy birthday to our beloved friend, SAM RAYBURN, of Texas, and I congratulate him. I congratulate him not because he has lived 72 years, for many people have done that, but because as he reaches the age of 72 years he is still growing in mind and spirit and in wisdom, and has chosen to share his great heart, mind, and wisdom with the American people.

He could no longer seek honor, for that he has had many years. It therefore must be that he seeks only to serve a people and a country he loves and respects.

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I want to join my colleagues in paying tribute to one of the greatest Americans in this or any other age, the Honorable SAM RAYBURN from the State of Texas. Mr. RAYBURN is not regarded as the Representative of the Fourth District from the State of Texas, but as a truly great representative of this entire Nation. He belongs to the ages.

Although I have not had the good fortune to enjoy the friendship and acquaintance of SAM RAYBURN for very long, being myself a relatively newcomer to the House of Representatives, I have known of his great service to this coun-

try as a Member of Congress and have admired and respected him as a man and as a statesman for many years. In the past year he has been most helpful to me with his counsel. He has borne aloft the standards of the Democratic Party and in my judgment is largely responsible for the great humanitarian works of the Democratic administration for the past 20 years. He is admired and respected by Republicans and Democrats alike as probably no other man has ever been and the great State of Texas can well be proud of her son, SAM RAYBURN, statesman.

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, I am very happy indeed that the opening day of this second half of the 83d Congress was set in connection with the birthday of a distinguished colleague, Hon. SAM RAYBURN, of Texas. These 7 years that I have now been a Member of this House have been much more pleasant and more profitable in every way because of the extension of understanding, gracious and wise council and friendship by this typical and great American, your friend and my friend, SAM RAYBURN. May he continue to give honor and distinction to each and all of us by continuing for many more happy birthdays as a Member of this great legislative body is my wish and prayer.

Mr. BYRD. Mr. Speaker, as one of the newer Members of this body I, too, wish to express my congratulations and good wishes to the Honorable SAM RAYBURN on the anniversary of his birthday. Long before I was elected to represent West Virginia's Sixth District in Congress I formed a great admiration and acquired a deep respect for the gentleman from Texas. I first met him when he visited a session of the West Virginia Legislature in 1947. During the past year I have had the opportunity to serve in the House of Representatives with our beloved colleague and distinguished minority leader, and my respect and admiration for him have never ceased to grow.

It is not within the power of every man to build for himself a great shaft of granite or to engrave his name upon a plate of bronze; but it is possible for each of us to plant an everblooming flower in the hearts of those with whom we come in contact—a flower which will continue to shed its fragrance throughout all eternity. SAM RAYBURN has done this.

I hope that this new anniversary will bring to Mr. RAYBURN a deeper realization of the profound regard which all Americans hold for him. A native son of Tennessee, an adopted son of Texas—yet all America knows and loves him. May God's richest blessings rest upon his life, and may the allwise Creator give to each of us the happy privilege of being present with SAM RAYBURN on many future anniversaries.

I join with the poet in saying:

Count your garden by the flowers,
Never by the leaves that fall;
Count your life by the sunny hours,
Not remembering clouds at all;
Count your nights by stars, not shadows,
Count your days by smiles, not tears;
And on this, your happy birthday,
Count your age by friends, not years.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MCGREGOR (at the request of Mr. McCULLOCH), on account of official business.

Mr. DEROUNIAN (at the request of Mr. HALLECK), on account of a death in the family.

Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana (at the request of Mr. PRIEST), for 2 days, on account of official business.

Mr. MACK of Illinois (at the request of Mr. PRICE), for an indefinite period, on account of illness.

Mr. CHUDOFF (at the request of Mr. GREEN), for an indefinite period, on account of illness.

Mr. DONOVAN (at the request of Mr. KEOGH), for 1 week to 10 days, on account of illness.

Mrs. SULLIVAN (at the request of Mr. CANNON), for 10 days, on account of a death in the family.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to extend remarks in the RECORD, or to revise and extend remarks, was granted to:

Mr. WOLVERTON in two instances and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. BROYHILL.

Mr. D'EWART.

Mr. KERSTEN of Wisconsin and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. CURTIS of Nebraska.

Mr. BENDER in five instances and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. JOHNSON of California and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. SMALL and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. TEAGUE in two instances and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. PATTEN.

Mr. HELLER in two instances.

Mr. FEIGHAN.

Mr. YORTY and to include extraneous matter.

Mr. MILLER of Kansas.

Mr. LYLE.

Mr. DAVIS of Georgia.

Mr. BROWN of Georgia.

Mr. RODINO in two instances and to include extraneous matter.

Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts in two instances.

THE LATE HONORABLE FRED M. VINSON

The SPEAKER. The Chair lays before the House a communication which he received on September 9, 1953, from Justice Hugo L. Black, senior Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, concerning the death of the late Chief Justice of the United States, the Honorable Fred M. Vinson.

The Clerk read the communication, as follows:

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Washington, D. C., September 9, 1953.

Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, Jr.,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

SIR: I am directed by the Supreme Court of the United States to notify the House of Representatives, through you, that the Chief

Justice of the United States died in this city on Tuesday, September 8, at 3:15 a. m.

I have the honor to be

Yours very respectfully,

HUGO L. BLACK,
Senior Associate Justice, Acting Chief
Justice of the United States.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas [Mr. RAYBURN].

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 397) and ask that the Clerk read only the first two paragraphs thereof.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Fred M. Vinson, Chief Justice of the United States.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and to the Supreme Court and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the late Chief Justice.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to say a word before the remainder of the resolution is read. I was a Member of the House of Representatives when Fred Vinson came here, a young man who we all knew at that time was a man of great promise. His friendship and mine began immediately upon his coming here and lasted throughout his useful and wonderful life. Frankly, I do not know how I am going to get along without Fred Vinson. Since his retirement from the House of Representatives through all the various positions that he occupied, and lastly that of Chief Justice of the United States, he and I alone spent an evening together at least once in 2 weeks and many times once in each week. He was one of those men that you never tire of. I think he had the most unfailing judgment of any man I have ever known.

There are a great many people in the world who have a lot of sense but that sense does not do them a great deal of good unless they have judgment. As I say, I think he had the most unfailing judgment about political, legal, social, and other problems of any man it has been my privilege to be associated with throughout the years.

Again, I want to express to his family my deep sympathy. I made a long, hard trip into the mountains of Kentucky to be at the place where he is resting. There are few men I have ever known that I would have made that trip for, but to me his friendship was an enriching treasure, in the memory of which I will not grow old.

He made a great Chief Justice. He left his mark on the legislative, on the administrative, and on the judicial branches of this Government. His contribution of unselfishness and wisdom to this Republic and all for which it stands was, in my opinion, as high as any contribution made by any other man in the long history of this great Republic.

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. RAYBURN. I yield to the distinguished gentleman from Indiana.

Mr. HALLECK. Mr. Speaker, the passing of Fred Vinson meant to me the loss of one of my very first friends in Washington.

When I first came to the Capitol in 1935, my family met the Vinsons as neighbors at the Wardman Park Hotel. As strangers to Washington it was a great comfort to have the friendship of Fred and his wife, Roberta, together with their two fine boys, Fred, Jr., and Jimmy.

For us it was an especially happy relationship since the Vinsons' younger son was the same age as our own twins, Patricia and Charles.

Our respect and affection for the Vinson family grew with the passing years and my admiration for Fred Vinson deepened as I watched his work in the Congress where he served with such high distinction as an outstanding member of the great Committee on Ways and Means.

Fred Vinson was a serious student of government who possessed a solid comprehension of the difficult legislative problems facing the Nation during the period he served as a Congressman.

But Fred Vinson was a man with a fine sense of proportion.

I well recall that, beyond carrying his heavy responsibilities of public office, he was a good father, and he equipped himself with a working knowledge of such things as the batting average of every major league baseball player because that was a subject close to the hearts of his sons.

While such genuine humanity endeared Fred Vinson to his friends on the Washington scene, his reputation among the home folks in Kentucky was no less secure.

It was my pleasure a few years back to address a Republican meeting at Ashland, and there I found that people, without regard for politics, respected and admired Fred Vinson in his home community.

As the years passed, Fred was called upon to move from his duties in the House to new and varied assignments within the administration. The times were trying and the responsibilities which our former colleague was asked to assume were heavy and confining.

Yet it was typical of the man that regardless of station Fred Vinson remained the same fine, friendly person we had known in those earlier years.

The title of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States is an honor which has been bestowed on few Americans.

I am glad it came to our beloved friend.

But I am not unmindful of the fact that had he been so inclined, Fred Vinson could have left public life for far more remunerative pursuits as a private citizen.

Instead, he chose to devote his remaining years as a servant of his country at heavy financial sacrifice.

He was a man dedicated to the public service, but his legacy to us is great. It is that of a great friend whose example of citizenship, service, and, not the least, deep paternal devotion will be a continuing inspiration to all who knew him.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all who desire to do so may extend their remarks on the life and services of Fred Vinson at this point in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I could not fail to embrace the opportunity to join with many of my colleagues in raising my voice in brief but very sincere tribute to the life, character, and public service of Hon. Fred M. Vinson.

It was my privilege to enjoy a very close association and warm friendship with him throughout my period of service in Congress. He and I served side by side as members of the Committee on Ways and Means for many years and worked together very closely on all important legislation considered by that committee during that time.

He was always tolerant and considerate and enjoyed the greatest degree of confidence and affection of his colleagues. His keen intellect and penetrating understanding of the many difficult and complicated problems coming before our committee enabled him to make an outstanding contribution to all legislation receiving his attention.

He was a man of splendid educational and mental attainments and possessed the highest attributes of character and was devoted to public service. His great achievement in all three branches of our Federal Government will always stand as a great tribute to him.

I join with other good friends in conveying my deepest sympathy to his dear wife and two fine sons and assure them that his host of friends share with them the great loss they have sustained.

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, although he hailed from eastern Kentucky, Judge Vinson lived in the hearts of legions of friends and relatives in the tri-State area.

To the citizens of this locality his genial personality, his effectiveness as a public servant, and his success as a leader of men will long live in the memories of those who knew him as friend and neighbor.

West Virginia joins Kentucky in paying tribute to a great statesman and in extending sympathy to his family.

Mr. CHELF. Mr. Speaker, I was stunned to learn of the untimely and unfortunate passing of my dear friend, Chief Justice Fred Vinson, of Kentucky. The Nation can ill afford to lose a man of his Christian principles, integrity, wisdom, industry, and leadership during these perilous days in which we find ourselves.

He made an outstanding contribution to America in the House of Representatives from Kentucky, as a Federal district judge, a wartime administrator in many difficult assignments, as Secretary of the Treasury, and as Chief Justice of the United States.

In my opinion, Chief Justice Vinson did more to restore the faith and confidence of the American people in the judicial branch of our Government than any other man during my lifetime, especially when he called the Supreme Court, which he so ably headed, into extraordinary session in the Rosenberg case. That very wise and judicial decision and the dispatch with which it was reached

shall stand as a perpetual monument to his everlasting glory.

The Nation has lost a great American and Kentucky has lost a stalwart, faithful son. I extend to his dear wife and all of his family my deep and sincere sympathy. May the good Lord bless them and keep them, may He cause His bright and glorious countenance to shine upon them and give them comfort and peace always.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. JENKINS].

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. Speaker, my very good friend, Hon. Fred Vinson, was born and brought up across the Ohio River a short distance from where I live and have lived for many years. He and I were acquainted before either of us came to Congress. We grew up as young lawyers in that section together, and we came to Congress about the same time.

It was my privilege and honor to serve with him on the Ways and Means Committee for many years. I want to give this testimony here for him, as I have given it many other times in many other places. He was the smartest man with Government finance that I ever knew. He was the best-qualified man, all around, on financial matters that were taken up in the Ways and Means Committee that I ever knew. That is borne out by the fact, known to those who have been here a number of years, of the fine friendship that existed between Hon. Robert L. Doughton and Mr. Vinson. Damon and Pythias never surpassed them in their loyalty to each other. Mr. Doughton was the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and as such had a heavy task which Mr. Vinson helped him carry. For his loyalty to Mr. Doughton he won the love and affection of Mr. Doughton which was shown by Mr. Doughton on every occasion.

I have said this about Fred Vinson many times, and I want to say it again here, so that some of these younger Members may know what kind of a man he was. I think, Mr. Speaker, he served in more capacities in the Government than anybody you, Mr. RAYBURN, or I knew, in all the years we have been here. He served on the Ways and Means Committee. He served as Secretary of the Treasury. He served, I believe, as Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. He served as a judge of the United States Court of Appeals here in Washington. He was so versatile in Government matters that the President gave him several very important positions to fill. And finally the President appointed him to be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The President could have selected no more competent man for this high position.

I made a trip to Europe about 2 weeks after Mr. Vinson's death and I was profoundly impressed when I saw that the American flags flying over the American Embassies—were flying at half mast out of respect for my old friend, Fred Vinson. This was a very fine gesture by President Eisenhower to order immediately after Mr. Vinson's death that the American flag should be flown at half mast for 30 days over all Government

buildings in the United States and all foreign countries.

I am sad but proud to say these few words concerning my distinguished friend, Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Kentucky [Mr. PERKINS].

Mr. PERKINS. Mr. Speaker, I first had the opportunity to meet Fred Vinson in 1931 when I was 19 years of age. It is my privilege now to represent some of the counties he formerly represented in eastern Kentucky.

Fred Vinson was a gentleman who dedicated himself to accomplish whatever he undertook to do. His people loved him. The people he represented loved him.

I have observed that when his former constituents from back home came to Washington, Fred Vinson was never too busy to see them. He loved people. He loved service for his Government. He devoted the last 30 years of his life to public service, repeatedly refusing more lucrative offers in private industry. During all this service to his country, which included more top-policy making positions than any other person in our history, he acquired a reputation for leadership and good judgment that is unsurpassed among our leaders.

His ability to work with people and obtain their wholehearted cooperation and respect made him the logical selection as Chief of the judicial branch of our Government in that trying postwar period when the public was searching for leaders they could trust. His gentle dignity and courageous efforts in this position enhanced the prestige of that illustrious body, the Supreme Court of the United States. His contribution to Kentucky and this great country will be recorded in the pages of history.

I extend, Mr. Speaker, my deepest sympathy to his good wife and his children.

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Kentucky [Mr. GOLDEN].

Mr. GOLDEN. Mr. Speaker, I wish to join my colleagues in paying a very sincere tribute to a great Kentuckian who passed away last summer. Especially I wish to tell my colleagues that I fully concur in what the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HALLECK] said. In Kentucky all the people loved Fred Vinson. In the long and honorable history of our State, one of its great contributions to the Nation was when it gave to all the people Fred Vinson.

Mr. Vinson was a friend of my father's long years ago in his early life. When I first had the honor to come to this august body to represent my people of Kentucky he was a friend of mine. I believe that every member of the Kentucky delegation over the last two decades has received from Fred Vinson friendly advice and encouragement in the performance of his official duty.

Fred Vinson was a great man, loved by all of our people. We sincerely extend to his family our sympathy and hope for them the great solace that comes when a good life has ended through death. We wish we could say

something that would console them more in the dark hours that were experienced when Fred Vinson passed on. However, if they will remember the great and lasting contributions that he made not only to his native State of Kentucky but to the Nation as a whole, and that they can look forward to meeting him in a happier world knowing that he lived a good life, and that he accomplished much while here, their grief will be softened and their hopes brightened.

We are glad to have the privilege of adding a word to do honor to a great and good man who has departed from us.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. RAYBURN. I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, there are few men who have played such an important part in my life as has Fred Vinson. Coming from Massachusetts, as I did in 1928, Fred Vinson preceded me. He failed of reelection in the 1928 campaign because he fought for the principles in which he believed. He temporarily failed of reelection because of his refusal to compromise in any way the unfortunate situation that existed in the campaign of that year.

Fred Vinson was a man of great capacity and unusual ability, but, above that, he was a man of understanding. He typified to the highest degree humanly possible what a gentleman should be—"one who can disagree without being disagreeable." Fred Vinson and I served on the Ways and Means Committee from 1930 until the time he was appointed to the judiciary. Thereafter he left the judiciary, making a great sacrifice, to become Economic Stabilizer. I believe very few men would have left the important position of circuit court judge with the security of that office to enter into the controversial and insecure position of Economic Stabilizer. But he was asked by the then President of the United States, and he responded as an American willing to make all the sacrifices necessary for the best interests of our country.

In the House of Representatives he wielded tremendous influence. Those of us who served with him knew of his great mind and the power of his logic, of his convincing arguments. As an illustration of his penetrating and logical mind and the effectiveness he had in convincing others, may I refer to a personal incident that happened in my life and while I was a member of the Ways and Means Committee.

In the middle of the 1930's, one of the most important pieces of legislation recommended by the late Franklin D. Roosevelt was what was known as the Bituminous Coal Commission bill. The first bill contained two features, one of which was very controversial, and while I favored the basic proposition I was opposed to the other feature of the bill. My vote probably would have defeated the bill in the Committee on Ways and Means, and Fred Vinson called to see me one day, and as a result of his logic, the manner in which he presented the case that I should not vote against the bill because I was opposed to one part

when I favored the other part which was of greater importance to millions of Americans employed in the coal areas of our country, he convinced me that I should act so this bill could be reported out of committee. That bill came out of the Committee on Ways and Means and passed this House and the other body and became law. So, I refer to that as showing the effectiveness of Fred Vinson in convincing other Members as to what they should do in the interest of our country. As regards that particular bill, it was Fred Vinson's argument to me, coupled with the respect that I had for him, that prompted me to act in committee as I did, which enabled the bill to be reported favorably, when otherwise it probably would have been defeated in the Committee on Ways and Means. That is history that has never been publicly disclosed before; history that millions of people in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, and other States of the Union in which the coal industry is located, would be interested in hearing. It was due to the personality and the ability and the effectiveness of Fred Vinson that the votes were obtained in the Committee on Ways and Means to report out the original bill establishing the Bituminous Coal Commission.

To Mrs. Vinson and her sons I join with my distinguished friend from Texas and all of my other colleagues in extending to them my profound sympathy in their bereavement.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report the remainder of the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect, the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was agreed to.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 18 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, January 7, 1954, at 12 o'clock noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

The following executive communications were submitted subsequent to the adjournment of the 83d Congress, 1st session:

905. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated May 4, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on a review of reports on Blaine Harbor, Wash., requested by a resolution of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, House of Representatives, adopted on June 23, 1943. (H. Doc. No. 240.) August 25, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with two illustrations (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

906. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated October 22, 1952, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration on a review of reports on Scituate Harbor, Mass., requested by a resolution of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, House of Representatives, adopted on July 20, 1946. (H. Doc. No. 241.) August 25, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one

illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

907. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated September 26, 1952, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a preliminary examination and survey of Bullocks Point Cove, R. I., authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved on July 24, 1946. (H. Doc. No. 242.) August 25, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

908. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated January 23, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on a cooperative beach erosion control study of the shore of Plum Island, Mass., prepared under the provisions of section 2 of the River and Harbor Act approved on July 3, 1930, as amended and supplemented. (H. Doc. No. 243.) August 25, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with six illustrations (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

909. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated July 8, 1952, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a preliminary examination and survey of Little River (branch of Niagara River) at Cayuga Island, Niagara Falls, N. Y., authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved on March 2, 1945. (H. Doc. No. 246.) September 22, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

910. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated January 2, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a survey of the Mississippi River between Coon Rapids Dam, Minn., and mouth of the Missouri River for local flood protection at Sny Island Levee Drainage District, Illinois. This interim report is submitted in response to the resolutions of the Committee on Flood Control, House of Representatives, adopted on September 18, 1944, requesting a review of the report on the Mississippi River between Coon Rapids Dam and the mouth of the Ohio River, with a view to determining the advisability of providing flood protection along the Mississippi River above the mouth of the Missouri River. (H. Doc. No. 247.) September 22, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

911. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated May 4, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on a cooperative beach-erosion control study of the shoreline of the State of Connecticut, area 7, Housatonic River to Ash Creek, prepared under the provisions of section 2 of the River and Harbor Act approved on July 3, 1930, as amended and supplemented. (H. Doc. No. 248.) October 5, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with 10 illustrations (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

912. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated June 15, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a review of reports on Columbia River at the mouth, Oregon and Washington, requested by resolutions of the Committee on Public Works, House of Representatives, adopted on August 6, 1948, and June 7, 1952, and of the Committee on Public Works,

United States Senate, adopted on August 4, 1948. (H. Doc. No. 249.) October 9, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

913. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated June 18, 1952, submitting an interim report, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on a survey of Buffalo Bayou and tributaries, Texas, with reference to flood protection for the city of Houston. This interim report is submitted under the authority of resolutions of the Committee on Flood Control and Committee on Public Works, House of Representatives, adopted on July 16, 1945, and April 20, 1948, for a review of report on the Houston ship channel and Buffalo Bayou, Tex. (H. Doc. No. 250.) October 9, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with two illustrations (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

914. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated June 5, 1952, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on a cooperative beach-erosion control study of the Pacific coastline of the State of California, Ventura and Los Angeles Counties, from Point Mugu to San Pedro breakwater, appendix II, prepared under the provisions of section 2 of the River and Harbor Act approved on July 3, 1930, as amended and supplemented. (H. Doc. No. 277.) November 3, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with illustrations (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

915. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated January 2, 1953, submitting an interim report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a survey of the Mississippi River-Guttenberg, Iowa, to Hamburg Bay, Ill. This interim report is submitted in response to a resolution of the Committee on Commerce, United States Senate, adopted on January 15, 1944, and resolutions of the Committee on Flood Control, House of Representatives, adopted on September 18, 1944, requesting a review of report on the Mississippi River between Coon Rapids Dam and the mouth of the Ohio River, with a view to improvement of the Mississippi River for flood control at East Moline and Campbell's Island and additional flood protection along the Mississippi River above the mouth of the Missouri River. (H. Doc. No. 281.) November 30, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed, with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

916. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated March 6, 1951, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers and an illustration, on a review of reports on Holland Harbor and Black Lake (Lake Macatawa), Mich., with a view to determining if it is advisable to modify the existing project in any way at this time, and particularly with a view to replacing the present rubble mound pier connection by concrete connections at a higher elevation, requested by a resolution by the Committee on Public Works, House of Representatives, adopted April 13, 1948. (H. Doc. No. 282.) November 30, 1953, referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed with one illustration (pursuant to Public Law 153, 83d Cong.).

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Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, Executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

917. A letter from the Clerk of the House of Representatives, transmitting a list of re-

ports which it is the duty of any officer or department to make to Congress, pursuant to rule III, clause 2, of the Rules of the House of Representatives (H. Doc. No. 273); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

918. A letter from the Clerk of the House of Representatives, transmitting a report for the period July 1, 1952, to June 30, 1953, pursuant to paragraphs 102, 103, 104, and 111 of the Code of Laws of the United States; to the Committee on House Administration.

919. A letter from the Under Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting reports covering a complete statement of research work being performed under contracts or cooperative agreements under authority of the Research and Marketing Act of 1946, showing the names of the agencies cooperating and the amounts expended thereon, pursuant to title I, section 11, and title II, section 205b, of the Research and Marketing Act of 1946; to the Committee on Agriculture.

920. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To authorize the grant or retrocession to a State of concurrent jurisdiction over certain land"; to the Committee on Public Works.

921. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the annual report of the Farm Credit Administration covering its operations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 3 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended; paragraph 3, section 4, of the Agricultural Marketing Act, as amended; and the Executive order of March 27, 1933, creating the Farm Credit Administration (H. Doc. No. 267); to the Committee on Agriculture and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

922. A letter from the chairman, Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, transmitting a report dated October 12, 1953, covering refunds and credits of internal-revenue taxes for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1951 and 1952, pursuant to section 3777 of the Internal Revenue Code (H. Doc. No. 286); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

923. A letter from the Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, transmitting the 15th quarterly report on the administration of the advance planning program, pursuant to Public Law 352, 81st Congress (H. Doc. No. 287); to the Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed.

924. A letter from the director, national legislative commission, the American Legion, transmitting a report of the proceedings of the 35th Annual National Convention of the American Legion, held in St. Louis, Mo., August 31-September 3, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 249, 77th Congress (H. Doc. No. 284); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

925. A letter from the adjutant general, United Spanish War Veterans, transmitting a report of the proceedings of the 55th National Encampment of the United Spanish War Veterans, held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 28 to September 3, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 249, 77th Congress (H. Doc. No. 283); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

926. A letter from the national adjutant, Disabled American Veterans, transmitting a report of the proceedings of the national gathering, held in Kansas City, Mo., August 16-22, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 249, 77th Congress (H. Doc. No. 285); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

927. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting a report showing the names of all persons against whom claims in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised during the fiscal year 1953, the addresses of such persons, the nature of the claims, the amounts of the settlements, and the reasons therefor, prepared as of June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 41 (g) 4 of the

Farmers Home Administration Act of 1946, Public Law 731, 79th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

928. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the report on co-operation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease for the month of July 1953, pursuant to Public Law 8, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

929. A letter from the Under Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the report on co-operation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease for the month of August 1953, pursuant to Public Law 8, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

930. A letter from the Under Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the report on co-operation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease for the month of October 1953, pursuant to Public Law 8, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

931. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the report on co-operation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease for the month of September 1953, pursuant to Public Law 8, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

932. A letter from the Chairman, Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, transmitting the report of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 3 of the act of Congress approved February 18, 1929 (45 Stat. 1222, U. S. C., title 16, sec. 715b); to the Committee on Agriculture.

933. A letter from the Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, transmitting a copy of the report to the President with respect to an overexpenditure of an allotment of funds within the Federal Housing Administration, pursuant to the requirements of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

934. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report certifying that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of the lands on the Nickwall and Charley Creek units, Montana pumping division, Missouri River Basin project, pursuant to Public Law 172, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

935. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report certifying that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of the lands on the Bluff unit, Bighorn Basin division, Missouri River Basin project, Wyoming, pursuant to Public Law 172, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

936. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report certifying that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of the lands on the Hanover unit, Bighorn Basin division, Missouri River Basin project, Wyoming, pursuant to Public Law 172, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

937. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report certifying that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of the lands on the Sargent unit, Middle Loup division, Missouri River Basin project, Nebraska, pursuant to Public Law 172, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

938. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report certifying that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of the lands to be served by the Middle Rio Grande project, New Mexico, pursuant to Public Law 172, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

939. A letter from the Administrative Assistant Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the report on status of appropriation accounts for the period ended

June 30, 1953, for the appropriation account "Construction, operation, and maintenance, Southeastern Power Administration," pursuant to subsection (1) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; to the Committee on Appropriations.

940. A letter from the Administrative Assistant Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the report on status of appropriation accounts for the period ended June 30, 1953, for the appropriation "Management of resources, Fish and Wildlife Service, 1953," pursuant to subsection (1) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; to the Committee on Appropriations.

941. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting a report on the postage on mail matter sent and received through the mails under the franking privilege by the Vice President, Members and Members-elect of Congress, the Delegates and Delegates-elect from Alaska and Hawaii, the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, pursuant to Public Law 286, 83d Congress; to the Committee on Appropriations.

942. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report on certain information concerning a violation of subsection (h) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, pursuant to subsection (1) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C., supp. V, 665); to the Committee on Appropriations.

943. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report on certain information concerning a violation of subsection (h) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, pursuant to subsection (1) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U. S. C., supp. V, 665); to the Committee on Appropriations.

944. A letter from the Chairman, United States Civil Service Commission, transmitting a report on certain technical violations of section 3679 (h), Revised Statutes, as required by section 3679 (1) (2), Revised Statutes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

945. A letter from the Administrator, Veterans' Administration, transmitting a report of a violation of subsection (h) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes which occurred at the Veterans' Administration central office, Washington, D. C., pursuant to subsection (1) (2) of section 3679 of the Revised Statutes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

946. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the fourth semiannual report on payment of claims arising from the correction of military or naval records, pursuant to Public Law 220, 82d Congress, approved October 25, 1951; to the Committee on Armed Services.

947. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To further amend section 106 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 so as to provide for certain adjustments in the dates of rank of nurses and women medical specialists of the Regular Army and Regular Air Force in the permanent grade of captain, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

948. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison Department of the Air Force, transmitting a quarterly report of the number of officers assigned or detailed to permanent duty, pursuant to section 201 (c) of the Air Force Organization Act of 1951, Public Law 150, 82d Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

949. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison Department of the Air Force, transmitting a report on the United States Air Force flying pay, showing grade and age for all flying officers above the grade of major, pursuant to Public Law 301, 79th Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

950. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison Department of the Air Force, transmitting a report pertaining to transportation furnished by the Air Force classified as class A bus operation or transportation for which the passengers pay a fare for the period July 1, 1952, to June 30, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 560, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

951. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a report on Department of the Army research and development contracts for the period January 1, 1953, to June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 4 of Public Law 557, 82d Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

952. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To repeal section 1174 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to the cooperation of medical officers with line officers in superintending cooking by enlisted men"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

953. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a report on providing transportation for certain Government and other personnel, and for other purposes, for the period July 1, 1952, through June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 2 of Public Law 560, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

954. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the part of the act entitled, 'An act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, and for other purposes,' approved June 4, 1920, as amended, relating to the conservation, care, custody, protection, and operation of the naval petroleum and oil-shale reserves"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

955. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy, transmitting the second semiannual report of contracts, in excess of \$50,000, for research, development, and experimental purposes awarded by the Department of the Navy, for the period January 1 through June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 4 of Public Law 557, 82d Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

956. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a report with respect to furnishing transportation for certain Government and other personnel, pursuant to Public Law 560, 80th Congress, for the fiscal year 1953; to the Committee on Armed Services.

957. A letter from the Acting Commandant, United States Coast Guard, transmitting a report of contracts negotiated for experimental, developmental, or research work executed during the period January 1, 1953, to June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 2 (c) (1) of Public Law 413, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

958. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration, transmitting the ninth quarterly report of contributions for the quarter ending September 30, 1953, pursuant to subsection 201 (1) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950; to the Committee on Armed Services.

959. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration, transmitting the 11th quarterly report of property acquisitions for the quarter ending September 30, 1953, pursuant to subsection 201 (h) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950; to the Committee on Armed Services.

960. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration, transmitting the quarterly report of property acquisitions for the quarter ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to subsection 201 (h) of the Federal Civil Defense Act, 1950; to the Committee on Armed Services.

961. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration, transmitting the quarterly report of contributions for the quarter ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to subsection 201 (1) of the Federal

Civil Defense Act of 1950; to the Committee on Armed Services.

962. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a report detailing the activities with respect to stockpiling, pursuant to section 4 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of 1946; to the Committee on Armed Services.

963. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the 24th quarterly report covering export control, pursuant to the Export Control Act of 1949; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

964. A letter from the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting the 90th Annual Report of the Comptroller of the Currency for the Year 1952, pursuant to section 333 of the United States Revised Statutes; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

965. A letter from the Director, Office of Defense Mobilization, transmitting the quarterly report on borrowing authority for the quarter ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 304 (b) of the Defense Production Act, as amended; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

966. A letter from the Managing Director, Export-Import Bank of Washington, transmitting the 16th semiannual report of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, covering the period from January to June 1953, pursuant to section 9 of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

967. A letter from the Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, transmitting the Sixth Annual Report of the Housing and Home Finance Agency for the Calendar Year 1952, pursuant to section 301 (b) of the Housing Act of 1948; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

968. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting the seventh quarterly report of the Small Defense Plants Administration for the period ending July 31, 1953, pursuant to section 714 (g) of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

969. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the act entitled 'An act to regulate the practice of the healing art to protect the public health in the District of Columbia'"; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

970. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To regulate the sale of shell eggs in the District of Columbia"; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

971. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the act entitled 'An act to provide for compulsory school attendance, for the taking of a school census in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes,' approved February 4, 1925"; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

972. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the act entitled 'An act to provide an immediate revision and equalization of real-estate values in the District of Columbia; also to provide an assessment of real estate in said District in the year 1896 and every third year thereafter, and for other purposes,' approved August 14, 1894, as amended"; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

973. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to sell certain property owned by the District of Columbia located in Montgomery County, Md., and for other purposes";

to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

974. A letter from the president, Commission on Licensure, Healing Arts Practice Act of the District of Columbia, transmitting an annual report showing the activities of the Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 47 of "An act to regulate the practice of the healing art to protect the public health in the District of Columbia," approved February 27, 1949; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

975. A letter from the Acting Director of Foreign Operations, Foreign Operations Administration, transmitting a report of survey of the refugee situation in the Near East, pursuant to section 706, title V (g) of the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

976. A letter from the Director of Foreign Operations, Mutual Security, transmitting the third semiannual report on operations under the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, from January 1 to June 30, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 213, 82d Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

977. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting the 10th semiannual report of the international information and educational exchange program, from July 1 to December 31, 1952, pursuant to section 1008 of Public Law 402, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

978. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting the sixth semiannual report of the International Claims Commission of the United States, from January 1, 1953, to June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 3 (c) of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, Public Law 455, 81st Congress, approved March 10, 1950; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

979. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of State, transmitting a message from the Chamber of Deputies of the Republic of Haiti addressed to the House of Representatives of the United States expressing deep gratitude for the cordial sentiments manifested by the House of Representatives on May 19, 1953, on the occasion of the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the creation of the Haitian flag; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

980. A letter from the Chairman, United States Advisory Commission on Information, transmitting the eighth semiannual report of the United States Advisory Commission on Information, dated August 1953, pursuant to section 603, Public Law 402, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

981. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the report of the Department of the Interior on the Clikapudi unit, Sacramento River division, Central Valley project, California, prepared under authority of the Federal reclamation laws; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

982. A letter from the Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, so as to authorize the imposition of civil penalties in certain cases"; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

983. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the definition of 'airman' in the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

984. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the annual financial report for the fiscal year 1953 on the commissary activities of the Civil Aeronautics Administration in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, pursuant to Public Law 390, 81st Congress; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

985. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting

a report on backlog of pending applications and hearing cases in the Federal Communications Commission as of June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 5 (e) of the Communications Act, as amended July 16, 1952, by Public Law 554; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

986. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a report on backlog of pending applications and hearing cases in the Federal Communications Commission as of July 31, 1953, pursuant to section 5 (e) of the Communications Act, as amended July 16, 1952, by Public Law 554; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

987. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a report on backlog of pending applications and hearing cases in the Federal Communications Commission as of September 30, 1953, pursuant to section 5 (e) of the Communications Act, as amended July 16, 1952, by Public Law 554; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

988. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a report on backlog of pending applications and hearing cases in the Federal Communications Commission as of October 31, 1953, pursuant to section 5 (e) of the Communications Act as amended July 16, 1952, by Public Law 554; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

989. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Federal Power Commission, transmitting copies of publications entitled "Typical Electric Bills, 1953" and "Statistics of Electric Utilities in the United States, 1952"; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

990. A letter from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1952, pursuant to section 10 (b) (4) of the Railroad Retirement Act, approved June 24, 1937, and of section 12 (1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, approved June 25, 1938; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

991. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on the audit of the Bureau of Mines and the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, agencies in the Department of the Interior, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1952, pursuant to the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U. S. C. 53), and the Accounting and Auditing Act of 1950 (31 U. S. C. 67); to the Committee on Government Operations.

992. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on the audit of the government of the Virgin Islands of the United States for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1952, pursuant to authority contained in the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U. S. C. 53), and the Accounting and Auditing Act of 1950 (31 U. S. C. 67); to the Committee on Government Operations.

993. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on the audit of the Bureau of Narcotics, an agency in the Treasury Department, for the period March 1, 1951, through June 30, 1952, pursuant to the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U. S. C. 53), and the Accounting and Auditing Act of 1950 (31 U. S. C. 67); to the Committee on Government Operations.

994. A letter from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on the audit of the Southeastern Power Administration, an agency in the Department of the Interior, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U. S. C. 53), and the Accounting and Auditing Act of 1950 (31 U. S. C. 67); to the Committee on Government Operations.

995. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a report of contracts negotiated for research and development purposes for the period January 1 through June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 302 (c) (10) of Public Law 152, 81st Congress, as amended; to the Committee on Government Operations.

996. A letter from the Acting Chief Commissioner, Indian Claims Commission, transmitting a report showing that proceedings have been concluded with respect to certain Indian claims, pursuant to section 21 of the Indian Claims Commission Act of August 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 1055; 25 U. S. C. 70); to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

997. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of certain bills passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Virgin Islands and the Municipal Council of St. Thomas and St. John, pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

998. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the annual credit report of revolving fund transactions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 10 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984, 986; 25 U. S. C. 470); to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

999. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of laws enacted by the Second Guam Legislature (first regular session), pursuant to section 19 of Public Law 630, 81st Congress, the Organic Act of Guam; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1000. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of laws enacted by the Second Guam Legislature (first regular session), pursuant to section 19 of Public Law 630, 81st Congress, the Organic Act of Guam; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1001. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of laws enacted by the First Guam Legislature (first regular session) and the First Guam Legislature (second regular session), pursuant to section 19 of Public Law 630, 81st Congress, the Organic Act of Guam; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1002. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of laws enacted by the First Guam Legislature (second regular session) and the Second Guam Legislature (first regular session), pursuant to section 19 of Public Law 630, 81st Congress, the Organic Act of Guam; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1003. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of laws enacted by the First Guam Legislature (first regular session), First Guam Legislature (second regular session), First Guam Legislature (second special session), Second Guam Legislature (first special session) and the Second Guam Legislature (first regular session), pursuant to section 19 of Public Law 630, 81st Congress, the Organic Act of Guam; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1004. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of certain bills and resolutions passed by the Municipal Council of St. Thomas and St. John, V. I., pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1005. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a copy of legislation passed by the Municipal Council of St. Thomas and St. John, V. I., pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved

June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1006. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a copy of legislation passed by the Municipal Council of St. Croix, Virgin Islands, pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1007. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of certain bills and resolutions passed by the Municipal Council of St. Thomas and St. John, the Municipal Council of St. Croix and the Legislative Assembly of the Virgin Islands, pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1008. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting copies of certain bills passed by the Municipal Council of St. Croix, V. I., pursuant to section 16 of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States approved June 22, 1936; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1009. A letter from the Chairman, United States Atomic Energy Commission, transmitting the annual report of the Atomic Energy Commission of claims paid under the Federal Tort Claims Act, pursuant to section 2673 of title 28 of the United States Code, for the period July 1, 1952, through June 30, 1953; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1010. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a report of all claims paid by the Department of Commerce during fiscal year 1953, pursuant to section 404 of the Federal Tort Claims Act, Public Law 601, 79th Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1011. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration, transmitting the annual report of claims paid by the Federal Civil Defense Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 2673 of the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as amended; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1012. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report on the payment of claims for damage occasioned by vessels in the Coast Guard service, which have been settled by the Treasury, pursuant to section 646 (b) of title 14, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1013. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report listing the tort claims approved for payment for the fiscal year 1953, pursuant to title 28, United States Code, section 2673; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1014. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report on the payment of \$4,143.75 to Grace Line, Inc., 2 Pine Street, San Francisco, Calif., in full settlement of claim for damage to the motor ship *Coastal Nomad*, pursuant to 14 United States Code 646 (b); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1015. A letter from the Director, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting a report of claims paid by the Central Intelligence Agency for the fiscal year 1953, pursuant to section 404 of the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946 (Public Law 601, 79th Cong.); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1016. A letter from the Secretary-Treasurer, the Military Chaplains Association of the United States of America, transmitting the annual report of the proceedings, including financial report, of the Military Chaplains Association of the United States of America, pursuant to section 7 of Public Law 792, 81st Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1017. A letter from the Secretary of the Department of the Air Force, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To further

amend the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1018. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To amend further the act of January 2, 1952, an act to provide for the prompt settlement of claims for damage occasioned by the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps Forces in Foreign Countries," relative to the jurisdictional amount that may be considered, ascertained, adjusted, determined, and paid by claims commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1019. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Air, Department of the Navy, transmitting a report of the payment of claims for damage occasioned by naval vessels, which have been settled by the Navy Department, pursuant to section 8 of the act of July 1944 (58 Stat. 726; 46 U. S. C. 797); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1020. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Air, Department of the Navy, transmitting a report showing the settlement of claims for damage caused to Navy Department property, which have been settled by the Navy Department, pursuant to section 2 of the act of December 5, 1945 (34 U. S. C. 600a); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1021. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a report of amounts paid and received by the Department of the Air Force, pursuant to the Maritime Claims Act of October 20, 1951 (65 Stat. 572; 10 U. S. C. 1861-1866); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1022. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting the summary report of claims paid under the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945, for the fiscal year 1953, pursuant to the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945, as amended (ch. 135, sec. 1, 59 Stat. 225; 31 U. S. C. 222c; 61 Stat. 501, 66 Stat. 321, Public Law 439, 82d Cong., 2d sess., July 3, 1952); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1023. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a report of claims paid for the fiscal year 1953, pursuant to the Federal Tort Claims Act, as amended and codified (28 U. S. C. 2671-2680) as required by section 2673; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1024. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a report on tort claims paid by the General Services Administration during the fiscal year 1953, pursuant to title 28, section 2673, of the United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1025. A letter from the Administrator, Veterans' Administration, transmitting a report of the tort claims paid by the Veterans' Administration during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 404 of the Federal Tort Claims Act, title IV, Public Law 601, 79th Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1026. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in the cases of a list of aliens who have been found admissible into the United States, pursuant to section 212 (a) (28) (I) (ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1027. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a copy of an order entered in the case of a certain named alien who has been found admissible into the United States, pursuant to section 212 (a) (28) (I) (ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1028. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in the cases of a list of aliens who have been found admissible into the United States,

pursuant to section 212 (a) (28) (I) (ii); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1029. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in the cases of a list of aliens who have been found admissible into the United States, pursuant to section 212 (a) (28) (I) (ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1030. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a letter relative to the case of Claude Calvert Sue, A-3333824, and requesting that it be withdrawn from those before the Congress and returned to the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1031. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a letter relative to the case of Lam Tim, A-9770888, and requesting that it be withdrawn from those before the Congress and returned to the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1032. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a list of names of aliens involving suspension of deportation, and requesting that they be withdrawn from those before the Congress and returned to the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1033. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a letter relative to a list of names involving suspension of deportation, and requesting that they be withdrawn from those before the Congress and returned to the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1034. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in cases where the authority contained in section 212 (d) (3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act was exercised in behalf of such aliens, pursuant to section 212 (d) (6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1035. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in cases where the authority contained in section 212 (d) (3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act was exercised in behalf of such aliens, pursuant to section 212 (d) (6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1036. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in cases where the authority contained in section 212 (d) (3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act was exercised in behalf of such aliens, pursuant to section 212 (d) (6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1037. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in cases where the authority contained in section 212 (d) (3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act was exercised in behalf of such aliens, pursuant to section 212 (d) (6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1038. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders entered in cases where the authority contained in section 212 (d) (3)

of the Immigration and Nationality Act was exercised in behalf of such aliens, pursuant to section 212 (d) (6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1039. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting copies of orders granting the applications for permanent residence filed by the subjects, pursuant to section 4 of the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, as amended; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1040. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the 25th report of action taken by the United States Maritime Administration, pursuant to section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended (Public Law 498, 77th Cong.); to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

1041. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the quarterly report on the activities and transactions of the Maritime Administration for the period ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 13 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

1042. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a report of the activities providing war-risk insurance and certain marine and liability insurance for the American public, for the quarter ended September 30, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 763, 81st Congress; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

1043. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the quarterly report on the activities and transactions of the Maritime Administration for the period ending September 30, 1953, pursuant to section 13 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

1044. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report on the Federal aid in fish restoration program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 11 of the act of Congress approved August 9, 1950 (64 Stat. 430, 16 U. S. C. 777); to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

1045. A letter from the Chairman, United States Civil Service Commission, transmitting the annual report on additional step increases as rewards for superior accomplishment for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 702 (c) of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

1046. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated August 18, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers on a preliminary examination of Little Magothy River, Md., authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved June 30, 1948; to the Committee on Public Works.

1047. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated June 26, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers on a preliminary examination and survey of Neuse and Trent Rivers, N. C., authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved July 24, 1946; to the Committee on Public Works.

1048. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, dated June 23, 1953, submitting a report, together with accompanying papers on a review of reports on Olympia Harbor, Wash., requested by a resolution of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, House of Representatives, adopted on October 5, 1943, and also authorized by the River and Harbor Act approved on July 24, 1946; to the Committee on Public Works.

1049. A letter from the Executive Officer, National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting the land-acquisitions report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, covering acquisitions for parks, parkways, and playgrounds, cost of each tract, and method of acquisition, pursuant to Public Law 284, 71st Congress (44 Stat. 482), approved May 29, 1930, amended; to the Committee on Public Works.

1050. A letter from the Chairman, United States Civil Service Commission, transmitting the 32d Annual Report of the Board of Actuaries of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1952, pursuant to section 16 of the Civil Service Retirement Act; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

1051. A letter from the director, national legislative commission, the American Legion, transmitting the financial statement of the American Legion for the period ending October 31, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 47, 66th Congress; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1052. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the annual report of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, prepared by the Commissioner of Narcotics, for the calendar year ended December 31, 1952, pursuant to section 1 of the act of June 14, 1930; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1053. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend sections 2885 (b) and 2886 (a), as amended, of the Internal Revenue Code"; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1054. A letter from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To amend the act of June 19, 1948 (62 Stat. 489), relating to the retention in the service of disabled commissioned officers and warrant officers of the Army and Air Force"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1055. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report of the special helium-production fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 3 (c) of the Amendatory Helium Act approved September 1, 1937 (50 Stat. 885; U. S. C., sec. 164); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1056. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the semiannual report of the Secretary of Defense, together with the reports of the Secretaries of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force for the period January 1 to June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 202 (d) of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1057. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a notice of proposal by the Department of the Navy to transfer the ex-German submarine U-505 to the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, Ill., pursuant to section 6 of the act of August 7, 1946; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1058. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting an itemized report covering transactions during the fiscal year 1953, for account of the Pershing Hall Memorial Fund, pursuant to the act of June 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 426, sec. 3); to the Committee on Government Operations.

1059. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, transmitting a list of cases of aliens involving suspension of deportation, and requesting that they be withdrawn from those before the Congress and returned to the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1060. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Power Commission, transmitting two publications entitled "Steam-Electric Plant Construction Cost and Annual Production Expenses, 1952 Supplement," "Typical Residential Electric Bills, January 1, 1953"; to

the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1061. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Power Commission, transmitting a report on licensed hydroelectric projects and on personnel of the Federal Power Commission for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 4 (d) of the Federal Power Act of 1935; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1062. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the 19th annual report of the Federal Communications Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and additional material specified in section 4 (k) of the Communications Act as amended July 16, 1952 (Public Law 554); to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1063. A letter from the secretary, the American National Theater and Academy, transmitting the transcript of the National Theater Assembly held January 1 to 3, 1953, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and miscellaneous data, etc.; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1064. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To provide for compensation of certain employees on days when departments, agencies, or establishments of the Government are closed by administrative procedure"; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

1065. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "To approve repayment contracts negotiated with the Hermiston and West Extension Irrigation Districts, Oregon, and to authorize their execution and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1066. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a draft of a bill entitled "To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

1067. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a list by rank and age groups, the number of such officers above the rank of major in the Army or lieutenant commander in the Navy with the average monthly flight pay authorized by law to be paid to such officers during the 6-month period preceding the date of the report, pursuant to Public Law 301, approved February 18, 1946; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1068. A letter from the Adjutant General, Veterans of Foreign Wars, transmitting a report of the proceedings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1953, including a full and complete report of receipts and disbursements; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1069. A letter from the Administrator, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, transmitting the annual report of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 548, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

1070. A letter from the Chairman, War Claims Commission, transmitting the eighth semiannual report for the period ending September 13, 1953, pursuant to section 9 of the War Claims Act of 1948, as amended; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1071. A letter from the Chairman, Board of Directors, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting the 20th annual report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1952, and ending June 30, 1953; to the Committee on Public Works.

1072. A letter from the Chairman, District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency, transmitting a report of progress and expenditures for the fiscal year 1953 and plans for the coming year, pursuant to section 15 of Public Law 592, 79th Congress; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

1073. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on the audit of Gorgas Memorial Institute of Tropical and Preventive Medicine, Inc., for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to the act of May 7, 1928, as amended July 1, 1948 (22 U. S. C. 278a); to the Committee on Government Operations.

1074. A letter from the Director, Bureau of the Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a joint report by the Bureau of the Budget and the General Services Administration dealing with a cooperative undertaking to obtain prompt disposal of real properties, except those in the public domain, which are surplus to the needs of the Federal Government; to the Committee on Government Operations.

1075. A letter from the clerk, United States Court of Claims, transmitting a statement of all judgments rendered by the United States Court of Claims for the year ended October 2, 1953, pursuant to section 791 (d), title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1076. A letter from the Shipwright Navy Club of the United States of America, transmitting the annual report of receipts and expenditures for the official year ending April 30, 1953, pursuant to the law governing these reports; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1077. A letter from the national commandant, Marine Corps League, transmitting a report of proceedings and activities, including complete statement of receipts and expenditures during the preceding calendar year, pursuant to section IV of the act of Congress which incorporated the Marine Corps League, Inc.; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1078. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting the semiannual report on the stockpiling program pursuant to section 4 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, Public Law 520, 79th Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1079. A letter from the Director, Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting the Air Force's semiannual report entitled "Research and Development Procurement Action Report," for the period January 1 to June 30, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 557, 82d Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1080. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the report on cooperation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease for the month of November 1953, pursuant to Public Law 8, 80th Congress; to the Committee on Agriculture.

1081. A letter from the Director of Foreign Operations, transmitting the third semiannual report on operations under the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, for the period January through June 1953; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1082. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Mount Whitney Pack Trails which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize the permittee to provide saddle horse and pack trip service at Furnace Creek Ranch in Death Valley National Monument, Calif., for a period of 1 year from January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1083. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to William W. and Barbara W. Myers which will when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize them to provide accommodations, facilities, and services for the public at Wildrose Station in Death Valley

National Monument, Calif., etc.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1084. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed extension of contract No. I-1p-3348 which will, when executed by the Director of the National Park Service, extend for 1 year from January 1, 1954, the authorization under which Martin Killian provides accommodations, facilities, and services for the public in Mount Rainier National Park, Wash.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1085. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Edward B. Rushford and George I. Gravert which will, when approved by the regional director, region 1, National Park Service, authorize Messrs. Rushford and Gravert to operate the Rum Shop at Salem Maritime National Historic Site, Mass., for a period of 5 years from January 1, 1954, etc.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1086. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to the Naches Co., Inc., which, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, will renew for the period October 1, 1953, through June 30, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-426-43; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1087. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Mr. Albert Weiss, doing business as Friant Garage, which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize Mr. Weiss to provide towing service and emergency automotive repairs and services in Millerton Lake National Recreation Area, Calif., for a period of 1 year from January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1088. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Mr. George W. Hurt which will, when approved by the regional director, region 2, National Park Service, authorize Mr. Hurt to operate ski tows and a lunch stand and to rent ski equipment in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., etc.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1089. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Mrs. Marilyn J. Wright which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize Mrs. Wright to provide a limited lunch service at Crater Lake National Park, Ore., for the period September 16, 1953, to June 14, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1090. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to Mr. Joseph E. Niemeyer which, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, will renew for the period December 1, 1953, through April 30, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-447-56, under which Mr. Niemeyer is authorized to operate a ski-rental business in Olympic National Park, Wash.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1091. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed extension of contract No. I-1p-1101 which will, when executed by the Director of the National Park Service, extend for 1 year from January 1, 1954, the authorization under which Glacier Park Co. operates at Glacier National Park, Mont.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1092. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to Mr. Donald P. Christianson which, when approved by the regional director,

region 4, National Park Service, will renew for the period December 1, 1953, through June 30, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-426-42, at Narada Falls-Paradise area, Mount Rainier National Park, Wash.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1093. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed extension of contract No. I-1p-6780 which will, when executed by the Director of the National Park Service, extend for 2 years from January 1, 1954, the authorization under which Oregon Caves Resort operates at Oregon Caves National Monument, Ore.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1094. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roening which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, renew for 1 year from January 1, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-447-89 under which it operates at Olympic National Park, Wash.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1095. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to John C. Turner and Louise M. Turner, his wife, which will, when approved by the regional director, region 2, National Park Service, authorize Mr. and Mrs. Turner to operate the Triangle X Guest Ranch in Grand Teton National Park, Wyo.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1096. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to Mr. Anton Ashenbrenner which, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, renew for the period January 1, 1954, through December 31, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-447-84, under which Mr. Ashenbrenner operates at Olympic National Park, Wash.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1097. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a concession permit to Mr. Clifton D. Rock which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize Mr. Rock to sell souvenirs and related items at Cabrillo National Monument, Calif., for a period of 1 year from January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1098. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to Mr. Muri Emery which will, when approved by the regional director, region 3, National Park Service, renew for the period January 1, 1954, through June 30, 1954, concession permit No. 14-10-304-7 under which Mr. Emery operates at Searchlight Ferry located in Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Nev.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1099. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed extension of contract No. I-1p-1114 which will, when executed by the Director of the National Park Service, extend for 1 year from January 1, 1954, under which Fred Harvey operates at south rim of Grand Canyon National Park, Ariz.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1100. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to nine proposed awards of concession permits which will, when approved by the regional director, region 1, National Park Service, authorize charter boat services and bait sales to be provided in Everglades National Park, Fla., for a period of 2 years from January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1101. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting information relative to a proposed award of a con-

cession permit to Mr. J. R. Dickson which will, when approved by the regional director, region 4, National Park Service, authorize him to operate a gasoline service station at Big Stump in Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., for a period of 1 year from January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1102. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting relative to negotiations with the Crow Tribe to the end that a fair and just settlement be concluded between the United States and the Crow Tribe for the use of tribal property in connection with the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Hardin Unit of the Missouri Basin project; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1103. A letter from the Under Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To validate conveyance of a 40-acre tract in Okaloosa County, Fla."; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

1104. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report covering claims paid during the 6-month period ending June 30, 1953, on account of the correction of military records of Coast Guard personnel, pursuant to section 207 (e) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1105. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a combined statement of receipts, expenditures, and balances of the United States Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 15 of the act of July 31, 1894 (5 U. S. C. 264); to the Committee on Government Operations.

1106. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a draft of legislation entitled "To authorize the collection of indebtedness of military and civilian personnel resulting from erroneous payments, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

1107. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting the report of operations of the Postal Savings System for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1953, pursuant to section 1 of the act approved June 25, 1910 (H. Doc. No. 259); to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered to be printed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. MILLER of Nebraska: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. H. R. 6186. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant a preference right to users of withdrawn public lands for grazing purposes when the lands are restored from the withdrawal; without amendment (Rept. No. 1096). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. CURTIS of Nebraska:
H. R. 6863. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to increase old-age insurance benefits and to extend coverage under the old-age and survivors insurance program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code with respect to income subject to social-security taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Georgia:
H. R. 6864. A bill to amend certain procurement statutes to limit authority for the purchase of supplies and services without advertising during periods of national emergency; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KING of California:
H. R. 6865. A bill to extend the limitation on prosecution for false statements by Federal employees concerning membership in subversive organizations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ADDONIZIO:
H. R. 6866. A bill to provide that World War II prisoners of war shall be paid the sums which they would have received as increases in pay and allowances if promotions which they received on their return had been made for pay purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. AYRES:
H. R. 6867. A bill to amend the Veterans Regulations to provide that arthritis developing a 10-percent-or-more degree of disability within 3 years after separation from active service shall be presumed to be service-connected; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARTLETT:
H. R. 6868. A bill to provide for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6869. A bill to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Skagway, Alaska, and other points in Alaska, between Haines, Alaska, and other points in Alaska, and between Hyder, Alaska, and other points in Alaska or the continental United States, either directly or via a foreign port, or for any part of the transportation; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. BOGGS:
H. R. 6870. A bill to amend the act of February 13, 1900 (31 Stat. 28), by approving existing railway installations and authorizing further railway installations on the battery in front of the Public Health Service Hospital property in New Orleans, La.; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. BOYKIN:
H. R. 6871. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code so as to exempt certain automobile seat covers from the manufacturers' excise tax on automobile accessories; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana:
H. R. 6872. A bill to provide a mandatory minimum sentence for draft evasion; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. R. 6873. A bill to provide for stockpiling 5 million bales of cotton; to the Committee on Agriculture.

H. R. 6874. A bill to amend section 402 (d) of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, to eliminate discrimination against certain personnel of the uniformed services incapacitated prior to physical examination for promotion, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BROWN of Georgia:
H. R. 6875. A bill to provide that the Clark Hill Reservoir, on the Savannah River, S. C., and Ga., shall be known as the Hamilton-Moody Reservoir; to the Committee on Public Works.

By Mr. BROYHILL:
H. R. 6876. A bill to authorize and direct the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to construct a bridge over the Potomac River and Theodore Roosevelt Island in the vicinity of E Street, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. CLARDY:
H. R. 6877. A bill to make it a crime to belong to the Communist Party or to any other subversive organization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM:
H. R. 6878. A bill to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act in order to relieve innocent purchasers of fungible goods converted by warehousemen from claims of the Commodity Credit Corporation; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CURTIS of Nebraska:
H. R. 6879. A bill to authorize the coinage of 50-cent pieces in connection with the founding of a national memorial to Gen. John J. Pershing; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. DAVIS of Georgia:
H. R. 6880. A bill to continue the rates of tax which were in effect under sections 480, 1400, and 1410 of the Internal Revenue Code prior to January 1, 1954; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DAWSON of Utah:
H. R. 6881. A bill to provide that title to certain school lands shall vest in the States under act of January 25, 1927, notwithstanding any Federal leases which may be outstanding on such lands at the time they are surveyed; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. DEMPSEY:
H. R. 6882. A bill to amend the act of September 27, 1950, relating to construction of the Vermelo reclamation project; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. DEWART:
H. R. 6883. A bill to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to exempt certain classes of wheat from controls under that act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. FARRINGTON:
H. R. 6884. A bill relating to withholding for State employee retirement system purposes, on the compensation of field civilian personnel of the National Guard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. R. 6885. A bill to amend section 1 of Joint Resolution 12 enacted by the 25th Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii, in the regular session of 1949 and approved by the 81st Congress of the United States of America at the 2d session (Public Law 746, ch. 833); to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6886. A bill to ratify and confirm Act 280 of the Session Laws of Hawaii 1953 and to authorize the issuance of certain public improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6887. A bill to ratify and confirm Act 254 of the Session Laws of Hawaii 1953 and to authorize the issuance of certain public improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii and the city and county of Honolulu; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6888. A bill to amend section 207 (a) of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6889. A bill to appropriate moneys for the removal of certain abandoned military installations; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H. R. 6890. A bill to approve Act No. 27 of the Session Laws of 1951 of the Territory of Hawaii, entitled "An act to amend Act 24 of the Session Laws of Hawaii 1927, as ratified by the act of Congress of March 2, 1928, so as to extend the electric light and power franchise granted by said act to cover the entire districts of Waimea and Koloa on the Island of Kauai, T. H."; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6891. A bill to provide for the review and determination of claims for the return of lands, in the Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. FORRESTER:

H. R. 6892. A bill to amend certain provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, relating to cotton marketing quotas; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HARRISON of Wyoming:

H. R. 6893. A bill to restore to the Shoshone Irrigation District the share of the net revenues from the Shoshone powerplant to which it is entitled under its contract with the United States; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6894. A bill for granting the consent of Congress to the negotiation by the States of Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming to enter into and negotiate a compact with each other and with the United States of America for the conservation and development of land and water resources in the Missouri Basin; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. HINSHAW:

H. R. 6895. A bill to establish the Civil Aeronautics Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

H. R. 6896. A bill to extend the period for filing claims for compensation by World War II prisoners of war to August 1, 1954; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. HOSMER:

H. R. 6897. A bill to amend title 18 of the United States Code to increase the penalties for kidnapping and to create an immediate presumption of interstate transportation of a kidnap victim; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JAVITS:

H. R. 6898. A bill to establish an Office of Government Investigation within the General Accounting Office; to the Committee on Government Operations.

By Mr. KEATING:

H. R. 6899. A bill to permit the compelling of testimony under certain conditions and to grant immunity from prosecution in connection therewith; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARNAHAN:

H. R. 6900. A bill to provide for the establishment of the Foreign Affairs Advisory Board; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. KILBURN:

H. R. 6901. A bill to authorize the establishment of a harbor of refuge for light-draft vessels at Port Ontario, N. Y.; to the Committee on Public Works.

H. R. 6902. A bill to authorize certain modifications in the existing project for Oswego Harbor, N. Y.; to the Committee on Public Works.

By Mr. LANHAM:

H. R. 6903. A bill to provide that the Federal Government shall not give preference to certain firms in the awarding of contracts or the making of purchases; to the Committee on Government Operations.

By Mr. McCORMACK:

H. R. 6904. A bill to authorize the President to issue posthumously in the name of George Washington a commission as General of the Army, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MAHON:

H. R. 6905. A bill authorizing additional loans for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1954, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MASON:

H. R. 6906. A bill to provide that the tax on admissions shall not apply to moving-picture admissions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 6907. A bill to provide revenue from an excise tax uniformly applied to end products of manufacture; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. METCALF:

H. R. 6908. A bill to safeguard the health, efficiency, and morale of the American people; to provide for improved nutrition through a more effective distribution of food supplies through a food-allotment program; to assist in maintaining fair prices and incomes to farmers by providing adequate outlets for agricultural products; to prevent burdening and obstructing channels of interstate commerce; to promote the full use of agricultural resources; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MULTER:

H. R. 6909. A bill to provide that certain Government officers and employees shall be excused from duty for a sufficient period of time to vote in elections; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. PATMAN:

H. R. 6910. A bill to amend the Second Liberty Bond Act so as to provide that in issuing bonds under that act, preference shall be given to trust funds and other subscribers seeking to invest funds which represent real savings; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PERKINS:

H. R. 6911. A bill to provide for the construction of certain reservoirs on the Kentucky and Big Sandy Rivers so as to provide a year-round supply of industrial water, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Public Works.

By Mrs. PFOST:

H. R. 6912. A bill to permit the free marketing of newly mined gold; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. PILLION:

H. R. 6913. A bill to provide for a reduction in the total number of officers and employees in the Department of the Interior; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

H. R. 6914. A bill to increase from \$600 to \$700 the income-tax exemptions allowed for a taxpayer, his spouse, and his dependents, and the additional exemptions allowed for old age and blindness; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 6915. A bill to amend the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act so as to require the registration thereunder of certain State, Territorial, and local agencies which engage in lobbying activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6916. A bill to increase from \$600 to \$800 the income-tax exemptions allowed for a taxpayer, his spouse, and his dependents, and the additional exemptions allowed for old age and blindness; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 6917. A bill to increase from \$600 to \$700 the income-tax exemptions allowed for a taxpayer, his spouse, and his dependents, and the additional exemptions allowed for old age and blindness; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 6918. A bill to increase from \$600 to \$800 the income-tax exemptions allowed for a taxpayer, his spouse, and his dependents, and the additional exemptions allowed for old age and blindness; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. REED of Illinois:

H. R. 6919. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, relating to the Customs Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RODINO:

H. R. 6920. A bill to allow a deduction for income-tax purposes of certain expenses incurred by the taxpayer for the education of a dependent; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 6921. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to provide that, for the purpose of old-age and survivors insurance benefits, retirement age shall be 60 years; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts:

H. R. 6922. A bill to allow an additional period for filing claims for loss of property

in the case of prisoners of war in Korea; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6923. A bill to extend certain benefits of the War Claims Act of 1948 to Korean prisoners of war; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

H. R. 6924. A bill to extend the direct loan authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs under title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, to correspond to the expiration dates provided for guaranteed loans under such title, to make additional amounts available for direct loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6925. A bill to increase from \$600 to \$1,000 the income-tax exemption allowed a taxpayer for a dependent; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts (by request):

H. R. 6926. A bill to amend subsection 602 (j) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6927. A bill to amend certain provisions of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6928. A bill to amend section 622 of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6929. A bill to provide for the payment in a lump sum direct to counsel of a reasonable attorney's fee in a suit brought by or on behalf of an insured during his lifetime for waiver of premiums on account of total disability; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6930. A bill to extend to December 31, 1954, the direct home and farmhouse loan authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs under title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, to make additional funds available therefor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6931. A bill to amend veterans' regulations to establish for persons who served in the Armed Forces during World War II a further presumption of service connection for multiple sclerosis and the chronic functional psychoses; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6932. A bill to redefine "widow of a World War I Veteran" for compensation and pension purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6933. A bill to enable World War II veterans to qualify for benefits of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 of which they would otherwise be deprived because of recall to active service in the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6934. A bill to provide increases in the monthly rates of wartime service-connected death compensation payable to widows alone and to dependent parents; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6935. A bill to amend Veterans Regulation No. 9 (a), as amended, so as to provide for transportation of the body of a veteran dying in a State veterans' home; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6936. A bill to limit eligibility of a stepchild and of a stepparent for servicemen's indemnity awards; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. ST. GEORGE:

H. R. 6937. A bill to prohibit the payment of gratuities under laws administered by the Veterans' Administration to any person who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. R. 6938. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Army to establish a national cemetery in Rockland County, N. Y.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6939. A bill to discontinue the Postal Savings System established by the act of June 25, 1910 (36 Stat. 814), as amended; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

H. R. 6940. A bill to prohibit payment of annuities under the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to persons convicted of felonies involving or relating to the improper use of their authority, power, influence, or privileges as officers or employees of the United States or the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. SIMPSON of Illinois:

H. R. 6941. A bill to amend section 12 of the act approved September 1, 1916, as amended, providing for the retirement of certain members of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia, the United States Park Police force, the White House Police force, and the members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. SMITH of Mississippi:

H. R. 6942. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide that a taxpayer furnishing over half the support of a dependent may be allowed an exemption for such dependent's gross income; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STAGGER:

H. R. 6943. A bill to create a commission to study the question of outlawing the Communist Party; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TEAGUE:

H. R. 6944. A bill to terminate Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1953; to the Committee on Government Operations.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Louisiana:

H. R. 6945. A bill to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to authorize the reapportionment of frozen acreage allotments for the 1954 crop of cotton; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. WILLIS:

H. R. 6946. A bill to permit review of decisions of Government contracting officers involving questions of fact arising under Government contracts in cases other than those in which fraud is alleged, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WILSON of California:

H. R. 6947. A bill to provide that members of the Armed Forces serving under enlistments may collect damages for certain reductions in the rights, benefits, or privileges to which they are entitled; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WILSON of Texas:

H. R. 6948. A bill to amend the immunity provision relating to testimony given by witnesses before either House of Congress or their committees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WOLVERTON:

H. R. 6949. A bill to facilitate the broader distribution of health services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

H. R. 6950. A bill to assist voluntary non-profit associations offering prepaid health service programs to secure necessary facilities and equipment through long-term, interest-bearing loans; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

H. R. 6951. A bill to amend title VI of the Public Health Service Act (relating to hospital survey and construction) to provide mortgage-loan insurance to stimulate investment of private capital in the construction of self-supporting hospitals and other medical facilities and to facilitate the extension of voluntary prepayment health plans providing comprehensive medical and hospital care; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

H. R. 6952. A bill to amend section 23 (x) of the Internal Revenue Code to permit the

deduction of certain payments for health insurance without regard to the 5-percent limitation contained therein; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. YOUNGER:

H. R. 6953. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide that an individual taxpayer may deduct \$200 in dividend income received during the taxable year; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BOW:

H. J. Res. 327. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and executive agreements; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN:

H. J. Res. 328. Joint resolution establishing a Joint Committee on Internal Security; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. HARRISON of Wyoming:

H. J. Res. 329. Joint resolution providing for the rehabilitation, improvement, and restoration of certain facilities of the River-ton reclamation project, Wyoming, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of California:

H. J. Res. 330. Joint resolution authorizing the appropriation of money to be available for use in assisting the construction of the Tri-Dam project on the Stanislaus River in California, and providing for the repayment of any of such money so used, after the amortization of the bonds locally used for such project; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. KEOGH:

H. J. Res. 331. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution to empower Congress to regulate the use and ownership of trade-marks; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LESINSKI:

H. J. Res. 332. Joint resolution authorizing the President of the United States of America to proclaim October 11, 1954, General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. METCALF:

H. J. Res. 333. Joint resolution providing for the creation of an International Food Reserve; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PILLION:

H. J. Res. 334. Joint resolution amending the joint resolution of June 22, 1942, with respect to the pledge of allegiance to the flag; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PROUTY:

H. J. Res. 335. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to disapproval of items in general appropriation bills; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REAMS:

H. J. Res. 336. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution with respect to the admission of new States as sovereign States of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROGERS of Texas:

H. J. Res. 337. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide that a new State may be admitted only with the consent of two-thirds of both Houses of Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SADLAK:

H. J. Res. 338. Joint resolution authorizing the President of the United States to proclaim October 11, 1954, as General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance of the 175th anniversary of the death of Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WAINWRIGHT:

H. Res. 398. Resolution for the relief of Joseph P. Piggott; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN:

H. Con. Res. 185. Concurrent resolution establishing a joint committee to make a study of the organization and operation of the Congress; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. HELLER:

H. Con. Res. 186. Concurrent resolution establishing rules of procedure governing investigations by committees of Congress; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. KEATING:

H. Con. Res. 187. Concurrent resolution requesting the International Joint Commission to amend its order of approval of the St. Lawrence power project to specify the range of water levels to be maintained in Lake Ontario; to the Committee on Public Works.

H. Con. Res. 188. Concurrent resolution providing protection for communities along the shores of the Great Lakes against damage from changes in water levels resulting from projects authorized and approved by the International Joint Commission; to the Committee on Public Works.

By Mr. MILLER of Kansas:

H. Con. Res. 189. Concurrent resolution requesting the Secretary of Agriculture to prepare and develop a new and comprehensive soil-conservation program, including adequate provision for the construction and maintenance of needed soil conservation and flood prevention in all parts of the United States, to be implemented and placed in operation at the end of the present national emergency or in time of business recession so as to provide useful employment for returning veterans and others; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. OSTERTAG:

H. Con. Res. 190. Concurrent resolution requesting the International Joint Commission to amend its order of approval of the St. Lawrence power project to specify the range of water levels to be maintained in Lake Ontario; to the Committee on Public Works.

H. Con. Res. 191. Concurrent resolution providing protection for communities along the shores of the Great Lakes against damage from changes in water levels resulting from projects authorized and approved by the International Joint Commission; to the Committee on Public Works.

By Mr. TEAGUE:

H. Con. Res. 192. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the revision of the agreement between the parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of their forces; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama transmitting a copy of Act No. 650, Alabama law, authorizing the Governor of Alabama to enter into agreements and compacts with other States of the United States for mutual interstate aid in any emergency or disaster arising from enemy attack or other causes, pursuant to the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 (Public Law 920, 81st Cong.); to the Committee on Armed Services.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to relocating the boundary between the States of Florida and Alabama; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, requesting the Congress to submit an amendment to the Constitution of the United States amending article V; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States

relative to the social-security program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, requesting no legislation levying a Federal sales tax of any kind, but to leave this field of taxation to the States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to taking steps to restore confidence in the cattle industry; to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to granting Federal relief to drought areas; to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, urging relief be given the cotton farmer of Arizona from the stringent limitations of the Agriculture Adjustment Act of 1938, by raising the national cotton acreage allotment from 17½ million to 22½ million acres, and by providing that no individual State's allotment be reduced thereunder by more than 27½ percent of 1952 plantings; to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to the Railroad Retirement Act, and requesting favorable action on H. R. 356; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, requesting the Congress to extend old-age and survivors insurance to Arizona employees in positions covered by retirement system; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, requesting the maintenance of adequate tariff rates on copper; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Florida, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to S. 1155, an act locating the boundary between the States of Florida and Alabama; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to transmitting duly certified copies of interstate civil defense and disaster compacts between the State of Idaho and the States of Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Indiana, New Mexico, and Tennessee, pursuant to chapter 277, Idaho Session Laws of 1951; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Indiana, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to transmitting a copy of Senate Enrolled Act No. 271, State of Indiana, concerning civil defense and authorizing the State of Indiana to enter into civil-defense compacts with other States in providing for mutual aid and assistance in meeting any emergency or disaster from enemy attack or other cause, pursuant to the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, Public Law 920, 81st Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to the establishment of a federally operated soldiers' home in Massachusetts; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, requesting the Congress of the United States to amend the Atomic Energy Act so as to eliminate therefrom any language which may be interpreted as providing for the extension of tax exemptions to private contractors, etc.; to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, memorializing the Presi-

dent and the Congress of the United States relative to amending the Internal Revenue Code for the elimination of tax on cigarettes and gasoline; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Ohio, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to transmitting copies of the interstate compacts between the State of Ohio and the States of Virginia, Kentucky, and Wyoming; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to pass legislation recognizing and confirming State title to certain assigned school land and assigning leasing funds derived from such lands in escrow; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to provide adequate safeguards in tariff and trade legislation against the destruction or lowering of our American standard of living; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to reduce Federal taxes and lessen the drain of money from this and other States into the Federal Treasury; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to proceed with the development of the Colorado River in the upper basin States by authorizing the Colorado River storage project and participating projects; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States by passing Senate Joint Resolution 1 of the 83d Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of the Second Legislature of Guam, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to pass legislation similar to H. R. 4769, 81st Congress, 1st session, i. e., to extend the benefits of section 5 of the War Claims Act of 1948 to certain citizens of Guam captured at Wake Island; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, memorial of the Second Legislature of Guam, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to enact war claims legislation for employees of contractors interned during the occupation in Guam by a foreign power; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, memorial of the Territory of Hawaii, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States relative to providing for the issuance of public improvement bonds; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Also, memorial of the Territory of Hawaii, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to authorize the issuance of public improvement bonds of the Territory of Hawaii during the years 1953 to 1959 inclusive, without respect to the limitations imposed by the Hawaiian Organic Act; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ADDONIZIO:

H. R. 6954. A bill for the relief of Buonaventura Giannone; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. AUCHINCLOSS:

H. R. 6955. A bill for the relief of Mr. Margers Nulle-Siecenieks; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6956. A bill for the relief of Markos Demetrius Spanos; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. AYRES:

H. R. 6957. A bill for the relief of Joseph Contrino; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BARTLETT:

H. R. 6958. A bill for the relief of August J. Strigga; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6959. A bill to authorize the sale of certain land in Alaska to the Baptist Mid-Missions for use as a church site; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H. R. 6960. A bill for the relief of Gloria Minoza Medellin; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BATES:

H. R. 6961. A bill for the relief of Nicola Sardelli; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6962. A bill for the relief of Giuseppe Carollo; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BENNETT of Florida:

H. R. 6963. A bill for the relief of Peter Khattum; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BENTLEY:

H. R. 6964. A bill for the relief of Joseph Di Folco; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OLIVER P. BOLTON:

H. R. 6965. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Maria Del Mul; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOSCH:

H. R. 6966. A bill for the relief of Joaquim Agostinho; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6967. A bill for the relief of Guerdon Plumley; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

H. R. 6968. A bill for the relief of Margaret Gartner; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CANFIELD:

H. R. 6969. A bill for the relief of Maria Benkle; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6970. A bill for the relief of Charles Daly; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CHELF:

H. R. 6971. A bill for the relief of Lt. Col. Richard C. Kadel; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLARDY:

H. R. 6972. A bill for the relief of Aspasia and Dimitra Panoff; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM:

H. R. 6973. A bill for the relief of Frank Kreft; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CURTIS of Missouri:

H. R. 6974. A bill for the relief of Howard Carl Kaiser; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ENGLE:

H. R. 6975. A bill authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands to the Siskiyou Joint Union High School District, Siskiyou County, Calif.; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. FARRINGTON:

H. R. 6976. A bill for the relief of Marquis E. Stevens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6977. A bill for the relief of Alison MacBride; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FERNANDEZ:

H. R. 6978. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Lorenza O'Malley (de Amusategui); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FINE:

H. R. 6979. A bill for the relief of Ara Ter Vardanian; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6980. A bill for the relief of Francesco Scarfaloto; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6981. A bill for the relief of Ioan Vasile; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FISHER:

H. R. 6982. A bill for the relief of Maria Elizabeth Sanchez Y Moreno; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FORD:

H. R. 6983. A bill for the relief of Kiyoko Satoh Dekker; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRIEDEL:

H. R. 6984. A bill for the relief of Elly Maszun; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6985. A bill for the relief of Dr. John Spiropoulos; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GWINN:

H. R. 6986. A bill for the relief of Federico Ungar Finally; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6987. A bill for the relief of Gene C. Szutu and Florence C. Szutu; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARRISON of Wyoming:

H. R. 6988. A bill to amend an act approved December 15, 1944, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Powell Townsite, Wyo., Shoshone reclamation project, Wyoming, to the University of Wyoming; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. HART:

H. R. 6989. A bill for the relief of Giuseppe Sodano; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6990. A bill for the relief of Pfc. Giovanni Di Giulio; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6991. A bill for the relief of Sam Fatovich; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6992. A bill for the relief of Constantina Ianuale; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6993. A bill for the relief of Virginia Froonjian; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELLER:

H. R. 6994. A bill for the relief of Pasquale Abiuso; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HESS:

H. R. 6995. A bill for the relief of Tokiyo Nakajima and her child; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HILLINGS:

H. R. 6996. A bill for the relief of Pacifica Alido Boco; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HINSHAW:

H. R. 6997. A bill for the relief of Rolf Peter Weber; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6998. A bill for the relief of Erna White; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 6999. A bill for the relief of Teresa Alice Townsend; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOLT (by request):

H. R. 7000. A bill for the relief of June Beatrice Simmons Hightower Darling, nee Arron, alias Lewis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOSMER:

H. R. 7001. A bill to prohibit the payment of any civil-service retirement annuity to Alger Hiss, and to provide for the return to Alger Hiss of the amount to his credit in the civil-service retirement and disability fund; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. JACKSON:

H. R. 7002. A bill for the relief of Michael Logothetis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KEATING:

H. R. 7003. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Jennie DiRosa; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KEOGH:

H. R. 7004. A bill for the relief of Miriam and Mordechai Rymland; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7005. A bill for the relief of Chnaier Wallach, Todrys Wallach, and Henoch Wallach; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KILDAY:

H. R. 7006. A bill for the relief of Charles B. Medola and Ernest H. Macias; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7007. A bill for the relief of Harold Kageff-Kay; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7008. A bill for the relief of Pedro B. Trevino; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KLEIN:

H. R. 7009. A bill for the relief of Aldo Alvarez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7010. A bill for the relief of Nunzio Minardi; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7011. A bill for the relief of James J. Andrews; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KLUCZYNSKI:

H. R. 7012. A bill for the relief of Nicole Goldman; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LANE:

H. R. 7013. A bill for the relief of Louis S. Levenson; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7014. A bill for the relief of Loucla Hannouche; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7015. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Szajna Sapir; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LATHAM:

H. R. 7016. A bill for the relief of John On Pong Young and Mrs. Ivy Elena Ho Asjoe Young; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7017. A bill for the relief of Ingrid U. Baske Blasing and Gerhard Harald Baske; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LESINSKI:

H. R. 7018. A bill for the relief of Steve Rouchos; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUCAS:

H. R. 7019. A bill for the relief of Hadi Babazadeh; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7020. A bill for the relief of Hedy Reisenhofer Johnston; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MILLER of New York:

H. R. 7021. A bill for the relief of Emil Lotthammer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MORANO:

H. R. 7022. A bill for the relief of James Joseph Shaker, also known as Najm Shaker; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7023. A bill for the relief of Mario Renato Talin; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7024. A bill for the relief of Bekir Akim, also known as Tahsin Akim; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7025. A bill for the relief of Luigi Scognamiglio; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MULTER:

H. R. 7026. A bill for the relief of Rossana Gatti Mosca; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7027. A bill for the relief of Carlo Nonvenuto; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. O'NEILL:

H. R. 7028. A bill for the relief of Mary Riley; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7029. A bill for the relief of Nicholas DeClaris; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7030. A bill for the relief of Hua Lin and his wife, Lillian Ching-Wen Lin (nee Hu); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. PFOST:

H. R. 7031. A bill for the relief of Mrs. George A. Meffan; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. POAGE:

H. R. 7032. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Ruth Hooper Scott; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RHODES of Pennsylvania:

H. R. 7033. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Anna J. Weigle; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7034. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Fujiko Koert; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7035. A bill for the relief of Mrs. Margot Elizabeth Schaeffer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROOSEVELT:

H. R. 7036. A bill for the relief of Berysz Bernard Blinbaum and Lotte Blinbaum; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7037. A bill for the relief of Anastasios Seilemetzidis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEED:

H. R. 7038. A bill for the relief of Jaber Hassan El Assaad; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TEAGUE:

H. R. 7039. A bill for the relief of Anna Anita Hildegard Sparwasser; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMAS:

H. R. 7040. A bill for the relief of Chung Pang Ja and her minor child; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7041. A bill for the relief of Waltruade Elsa Solleder; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7042. A bill for the relief of Merija Anderson; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOLLEFSON:

H. R. 7043. A bill for the relief of Stephanie Cecil Gardiner; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TRIMBLE:

H. R. 7044. A bill for the relief of Joe G. Washburn; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7045. A bill for the relief of Dr. Marciano Gutierrez, Dr. Amparo G. Joaquin Gutierrez, and their children, Rosenda, Rebecca, Raymundo, and Marciano, and Mrs. Brigida de Gutierrez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VAN PELT:

H. R. 7046. A bill for the relief of Steve Elefteriou; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VAN ZANDT:

H. R. 7047. A bill for the relief of Miss Hildegard A. Vornweg; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WAINWRIGHT:

H. R. 7048. A bill for the relief of John P. Farrar; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WALTER:

H. R. 7049. A bill for the relief of Basil Theodossiou; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WAMPLER:

H. R. 7050. A bill for the relief of George E. Bergos (formerly Athanasios Kritselis); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WATTS:

H. R. 7051. A bill for the relief of Mary George Solomon; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 7052. A bill for the relief of Ofella Martin; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WILSON of Texas:

H. R. 7053. A bill for the relief of Elisabeth Stiegler Lewis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

409. By Mr. GROSS: Petition of Mrs. C. J. Estal of Green Mountain, Iowa, and 202 other residents of several communities in Marshall County, Iowa, urging that steps be taken to prohibit the advertising of alcoholic beverages in all newspapers, periodicals, and on radio and television; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

410. By Mr. HOEVEN: Petition of Sioux City, Iowa, Chapter No. 277 of the National Association of Retired Civil Employees to urge the Ways and Means Committee of the House to make a prompt and favorable report

on H. R. 5180; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

411. By the SPEAKER: Petition of the clerk of the general assembly, the United Presbyterian Church of North America, Alliquippa, Pa., relative to commending the House of Representatives for its action in ordering that 1 million tons of wheat be sent to the needy people of Pakistan; to the Committee on Agriculture.

412. Also, petition of the president, Retired Officers Association, Washington, D. C., transmitting four resolutions affecting the welfare of retired officers of the uniformed services and their dependents, widows, or other survivors, adopted by the Retired Officers Association at its biennial convention in Washington, D. C., on November 14, 1952; to the Committee on Armed Services.

413. Also, petition of the president, City Council, Philadelphia, Pa., transmitting a resolution memorializing the Secretary of Defense of the United States to reconsider the program providing for cutbacks of workloads and personnel at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

414. Also, petition of the secretary, board of managers, St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., relative to stating that they are opposed to any amendment of the Taft-Hartley law which would permit collective bargaining to apply to hospitals, etc.; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

415. Also, petition of the secretary-treasurer, Puerto Rico Free Federation of Labor, petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to setting aside a day during 1954 to be known as Labor Pray Day; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

416. Also, petition of the president, Puerto Rico Free Federation of Labor, San Juan, P. R., protesting the general mechanization of the sugarcane fields and sugar mills, and stating that economic and social crisis would be created if this takes place; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

417. Also, petition of the secretary, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, North Rome, N. Y., requesting that they be placed on record as being opposed to the recognition of the Communist regime in China, and being against the expelling of the Government of the Republic of China from the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

418. Also, petition of the secretary, the Federation of Poles in Manchester, Manchester, England, petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to requesting a definite protest against the persecution of religion in Poland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

419. Also, petition of V. K. Wellington Koo, Ambassador, Chinese Embassy, Washington, petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to messages from the Yilan District Council, and the Miaoli District Council in the Province of Taiwan opposing the turning over to Japan the Amami-Oshima Islands belonging to the Ryukyu Island group as being inconsistent with article 3 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan signed at San Francisco; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

420. Also, petition of the chairman, Agricultural Committee, Citizens Committee for Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Government, Washington, D. C., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to a year-end report on reorganization which has taken place in the United States Department of Agriculture during 1953; to the Committee on Government Operations.

421. Also, petition of the president, West Virginia State Federation of Labor, Charleston, W. Va., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the last meeting of the West Virginia State Federa-

tion of Labor and the American Federation of Labor, requesting that organized labor be invited to participate in the work of the Committee on Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Government; to the Committee on Government Operations.

422. Also, petition of the Governor, Territory of Hawaii, petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to enactment of legislation which will enable the Territory of Hawaii to authorize the Board of supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu to issue public-improvement bonds for flood-control purposes, and for construction of a sewerage system; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

423. Also, petition of the city and county clerk, city and county of Honolulu, Honolulu, T. H., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to Resolution No. 862, relating to congressional approval for the issuance of \$8 million of public-improvement bonds; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

424. Also, petition of the director, New Mexico Legislative Council, Santa Fe, N. Mex., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the sixth annual legislative service conference of the Council of State Governments, at which meeting it was noted that the Library of Congress has not published the State Law Index since 1947, and requesting that Congress further the restoration of the publication; to the Committee on House Administration.

425. Also, petition of the secretary, Municipal Housing Authority of the Capital of Puerto Rico, San Juan, P. R., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to expressing the deep sorrow by the membership of that body over the passing of Senator Robert A. Taft; to the Committee on House Administration.

426. Also, petition of the executive director, Federation of Commerce of Puerto Rico, San Juan, P. R., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to expressing their deep sympathy on the passing of Senator Robert A. Taft; to the Committee on House Administration.

427. Also, petition of the president, Free Confederation of Workers of Puerto Rico, San Juan, P. R., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to placing a statue of Maestro Santiago Iglesias Pantin in the galleries of the United States Capitol; to the Committee on House Administration.

428. Also, petition of R. E. Brookes and others, Los Angeles, Calif., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to requesting the enactment of legislation now pending that will amend the Railroad Retirement Act by providing retirement after 30 years of service regardless of age at half pay based on the 5 years of highest earnings (maximum annuity \$200 per month); to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

429. Also, petition of Meliton and Maxima Ramiro, Sabalom, Antique, Philippine Islands, petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to their claim in reference to the death of their son who died while fighting as guerrilla soldier on Panay Island on November 17, 1942; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

430. Also, petition of the secretary, State bar of New Mexico, Santa Fe, N. Mex., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to endorsing increases in the salaries of Members of Congress and members of the Federal judiciary and urging the enactment of appropriate legislation to effectuate such increases; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

431. Also, petition of the secretary, the West Virginia State Bar, Huntington, W. Va., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to transmitting a copy of a

resolution endorsing Senate bill 1663, relating to increase of annual salaries of United States judges and Members of Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

432. Also, petition of western area chairman, American Bar Association, Oklahoma City, Okla., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the judicial congressional salary program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

433. Also, petition of the president, National Conference of Police Associations, Minneapolis, Minn., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to amending the so-called civil-rights law; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

434. Also, petition of the clerk, Board of Supervisors, County of Westmoreland, Montross, Va., acknowledging receipt of the copy of House Concurrent Resolution 28 of the 83d Congress regarding its tercentennial anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

435. Also, petition of the national secretary, Supreme Lodge, Order Sons of Italy in America, New York City, N. Y., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to amending and modifying the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

436. Also, petition of the supreme secretary, Supreme Lodge, Order Sons of Italy in America, New York City, N. Y., strongly favoring national legislation declaring Columbus Day, October 12, a national holiday; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

437. Also, petition of the president, District Attorneys' Association of Oregon, Portland, Oreg., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to a resolution adopted concerning the propriety of present congressional investigations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

438. Also, petition of the secretary, West Virginia State Bar, Charleston, W. Va., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to international treaties and executive agreements; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

439. Also, petition of the secretary, New Jersey State Bar Association, Trenton, N. J., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the procedure used by congressional committees in making investigations and pertaining to social security and retirement pension plans; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

440. Also, petition of Dr. Henry L. Peckham, Washington, D. C., for impeachment of Judge Alexander Holtzoff; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

441. Also, petition of the president, United Neighbors, Inc., For Affiliated Organizations, Los Angeles, Calif., requesting a congressional investigation and legislative action in connection with the United States Supreme Court decision in the case of *Barrows v. Jackson*; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

442. Also, petition of Carl William Burkholder, Stellacoom, Wash., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to redress of grievances, *United States v. Carl William Burkholder*, No. 10766 Cr.; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

443. Also, petition of the president, the Yamada Institute, Nagoya-City, Japan, relative to requesting recognition of a secret machine in reference to atomic power; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

444. Also, petition of the chairman and executive officer, Lihue, Kauai, T. H., relative to Federal aid for Hanapepe flood-control project, Island of Kauai, T. H.; to the Committee on Public Works.

445. Also, petition of the president, American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C., condemning the abuse of legislative powers and calling upon the Congress to adopt appropriate rules to govern the conduct of congressional committees; to the Committee on Rules.

446. Also, petition of the president, Committee of United Russian Anti-Communist Organizations in Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the United States Congress investigating the United States State Department subsidy of Soviet agents among Russian refugees; to the Committee on Rules.

447. Also, petition of the president, Rhode Island State Federation of Labor, Providence, R. I., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the welfare of Federal employees; to the Committee on Rules.

448. Also, petition of J. J. Shouse, National Association of Taxicab Owners, Washington, D. C., pledging their support to the Government in its fight against all who have communistic or subversive tendencies; to the Committee on Un-American Activities.

449. Also, petition of the president, Rhode Island State Federation of Labor, Providence,

R. I., petitioning consideration of their resolution with reference to the transfer of the administration of the Federal social-security program to the State governments; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

450. Also, petition of the president, Conference of State Social Security Administrators, Richmond, Va., relative to the meeting of the Conference of State Social Security Administrators at Chicago, Ill., November 5 and 6, 1953, requesting the enactment of legislation amending section 218 (d) of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

451. Also, petition of the president, West Virginia State Federation of Labor, Charleston, W. Va., relative to the 51st convention meeting at Wheeling in October 1953, going on record as being against any legislation that would transfer the funds, administra-

tion, and operation of the social-security program from Federal administration to that of the various States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

452. Also, petition of the president, National Tire Dealers, Tulsa, Okla., respectfully requesting the Federal Government to eliminate or materially reduce the excise tax on tires and tubes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

453. Also, petition of Harry C. Gilbert and others of Orlando, Fla., requesting passage of H. R. 2446 and H. R. 2447, social-security legislation, known as the Townsend plan; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

454. Also, petition of Mitiki Sawada and approximately 6,200 others, Kumamoto Junior College, Kumamoto, Japan, requesting release of the Japanese people who are serving prison terms as war criminals; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Increasing Income-Tax Exemption From \$600 to \$1,000

EXTENSION OF REMARKS OF

HON. EDITH NOURSE ROGERS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 6, 1954

Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, on this opening day of this new session of Congress I have introduced a bill to increase from \$600 to \$1,000 the income-tax exemption allowed a taxpayer for a dependent. The purpose of this bill is to provide reasonable relief to the American taxpayer possessing dependents. If this bill of mine is enacted into law, the present income-tax law would be amended permitting this increase from \$600 to \$1,000 for dependents for the taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953.

The American taxpayer has earned some relief. In no other country in the world have the citizens of such nations answered their responsibilities to government as honestly and as loyally as have the American people. Not only has the American taxpayer shouldered the burden of financing war and the armament of free nations but he has also gladly and willingly shouldered the responsibility of reconstruction of the whole free world. The enormous sums of money which our country has contributed abroad has come, and is coming, from the American taxpayer.

Due to these large foreign requirements, together with the great expense of government here at home, the American taxpayer has suffered. His family has suffered; his children have suffered; American life has suffered. In view of the present \$600 low exemption for a dependent, it is exceedingly difficult for American families not only to finance the day-to-day living costs of their dependent children and their education, but it has become so difficult, it is regrettable to say, children are avoided. In other words, this low exemption of

\$600 not only threatens American family life but it threatens the future of America.

If our country is to survive during these next crucial generations, young parents must have every encouragement, not only to have children, but to properly care for them and to give them an adequate education. A nation in which its people are educated is a strong nation. Freedom depends upon education and education depends upon freedom. Certainly the time has come in this country when the American taxpayer has earned this reasonable relief in order that his own country might be strengthened.

There are some who hold the view that the Nation cannot afford to increase the exemption for a dependent from \$600 to \$1,000 because it would cost the Government too much in taxes. It is my view that this is faulty economic reasoning. It is not fact; it is pure opinion. This opinion is not based upon sound economic thinking. If at the proper time I am asked to do so, I shall be glad to state my views on this subject to the Congress. I expect to do everything I possibly can to get this bill passed during this session of Congress. I shall appreciate the support of the American people.

The bill follows:

A bill to increase from \$600 to \$1,000 the income-tax exemption allowed a taxpayer for a dependent

Be it enacted, etc., That section 25 (b) (1) (D) of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to normal tax and surtax exemptions) is hereby amended by striking out "An exemption of \$600 for each dependent" and inserting in lieu thereof "An exemption of \$1,000 for each dependent."

Sec. 2. Section 58 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to requirement of declaration of estimated tax) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(1) his gross income from wages (as defined in sec. 1621) can reasonably be expected to exceed the sum of \$4,500 plus—

"(A) \$600 with respect to each exemption provided in subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of section 25 (b) (1); and

"(B) \$1,000 with respect to each exemption provided in subparagraph (D) of section 25 (b) (1); or."

Sec. 3. The amendments made by this act shall apply only with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953.

Health Program

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. CHARLES A. WOLVERTON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 6, 1954

Mr. WOLVERTON. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, January 11, 1954, the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce has arranged to resume its inquiry into the subject of a comprehensive health program. These hearings will constitute a continuation of the committee's study of methods now available to groups and individuals to protect themselves against the cost of illness and to find ways and means of improving or expanding the same. The study is a continuation of the hearings conducted by the committee in Washington last fall after the adjournment of Congress and which were subsequently supplemented by studies in foreign countries.

In these health studies, serious consideration will be given to the formulation of a program that will enable assistance to be given to our people in carrying the tremendously burdensome cost of medical attention, particularly where hospitalization is necessary, or the illness is of a long-term character.

Commendable progress has been made in this connection by many of our labor unions and industrial concerns. What has been provided by such and the experience they have gained can be of great assistance in formulating a program for the general public. Likewise, much is to be learned from the experience of voluntary health organizations, such as Blue Cross, Blue Shield, and similar group-insurance plans.

Study and consideration should also be given to the possibility of enacting legislation to permit deduction for income-tax purposes of payments made to medical-insurance plans as an incentive to individuals to join such health programs; to legislation designed to provide Federal reinsurance of prepaid